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**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO RESPOND TO STAFF'S SUBMISSION
REQUESTING THAT THE COMMISSION REJECT CASCADE NATURAL GAS
CORPORATION'S JULY 31, 2017, GENERAL RATE CASE FILING
(Due Monday, August 14, 2017, at 5 p.m.)**

RE: *In re Cascade Natural Gas General Rate Case, Advice No. 17-07-01,*
Docket UG-170855

On July 31, 2017, Cascade Natural Gas Corporation (Cascade or Company) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) a general rate case seeking Commission approval to increase the Company's rates and charges for natural gas services to its customers in Washington.

On August 9, 2017, staff from the Commission's Regulatory Services Division (Staff) filed with the Commission a submission in the form of a motion requesting that the Commission reject Cascade's July 31, 2017, rate case filing for failure to meet the requirements of WAC 480-07-510 and WAC 480-80-105. Staff asserts that Cascade's filing contains a pattern of deficiencies similar to, but more pervasive than, those contained in the Company's prior general rate case filings. The deficiencies Staff notes include uncoded revisions to tariff sheets, disorderly work papers, dysfunctional electronic files, hidden interstate and multiservice allocation factors, and inconsistencies in the summary document.

Parties who intend to respond to Staff's submission must do so no later than 5 p.m., Monday, August 14, 2017.

THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That responses to Staff's submission are due by 5 p.m. on August 14, 2017.

Dated at Olympia, Washington, and effective August 10, 2017.

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