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## VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Mark L. Johnson, Executive Director and Secretary Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission 1300 S Evergreen Park Drive, SW Post Office Box 47250 Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Re: Docket UW-180629 – with Reference to Docket UW-180630

\*\* Please Do Not Re-Docket\*\* **New Tariff Naming Rates for Cascadia Water, LLC** 

Dear Mr. Johnson:

In accordance with WAC 480-80-104, Northwest Natural Gas Company ("NW Natural") submits this letter for the purpose of requesting approval of a new tariff for Cascadia Water, LLC ("Cascadia Water"). This tariff submission is related to NW Natural's acquisition of the assets of Lehman Enterprises, Inc. ("Lehman") and Sea View Water, LLC ("Sea View"). As more fully explained in NW Natural's applications filed in Dockets UW-180629 and UW-180630, the assets of Lehman and Sea View will be transferred to a new entity, Cascadia Water, that will become the utility and provide water service to Lehman's and Sea View's customers. This tariff reflects the transfer of these water systems to Cascadia Water, LLC.

The new Cascadia Water Tariff incorporates the currently approved tariffs of Lehman and Sea View into a single tariff that contains two distinct sets of rules, rates and charges for the customers of the Lehman and Sea View systems. This approach ensures that customers will not be impacted by the acquisition of these systems and will have a seamless transition to Cascadia Water. At the time of Cascadia Water's next rate case, it is anticipated that Cascadia Water will seek approval to consolidate its tariff so that all customers are subject to the same rules, rates and charges.

The Lehman System Original Sheet No.20 reflects a tariff change due to the impacts of federal tax reform from 51% to 21%, grossed up for income tax and the Washington Public Utility tax, which results in a reduction of the Service Connection Charge.

The Company respectfully requests that the tariff sheet reflect an issue date of July 15, 2018 and an effective date of October 15, 2018.

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As required by WAC 480-80-103(4)(a), I certify that Culley Lehman has the authority to issue tariff revisions on behalf of Cascadia Water.

A copy of the filing is available for public inspection in the Company's main office in Portland, Oregon and on its website at www.nwnatural.com.

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Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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