Exhibit No. (DCP-5) Docket No. UG-060256 Witness: David C. Parcell

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

DOCKET NO. UG-060256

Complainant,

v.

CASCADE NATURAL GAS CORPORATION,

Respondent.

EXHIBIT TO TESTIMONY OF

DAVID C. PARCELL

(REVISED EXHIBIT NUMBER)

ON BEHALF OF

STAFF OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Yield Differentials Between Baa and A Rated Securities

August 22, 2006

YIELD DIFFERENTIALS BETWEEN Baa AND A RATED SECURITIES

		Bonds		Preferred Stocks		
	Baa	Α	Difference	Baa	A	Differenc
2001						
Jan	7.99%	7.80%	0.19%	7.53%	7.42%	0.11%
Feb	7.94%	7.74%	0.20%	7.48%	7.38%	0.10%
Mar	7.85%	7.68%	0.17%	7.48%	7.35%	0.13%
	8.06%					
Apr		7.94%	0.12%	7.59%	7.47%	0.12%
May	8.11%	7.99%	0.12%	7.57%	7.48%	0.09%
June .	8.02%	7.85%	0.17%	7.60%	7.36%	0.24%
July	8.05%	7.78%	0.27%	7.42%	7.25%	0.17%
Aug	7.95%	7.59%	0.36%	7.40%	7.07%	0.33%
Sept	8.12%	7.75%	0.37%	7.41%	7.17%	0.24%
Oct	8.02%	7,63%	0.39%	7.40%	7.06%	0.34%
				7.53%		
Nov	7.96%	7,57%	0.39%		7.17%	0.36%
Dec	8.27%	7,83%	0.44%	7.66%	7.30%	0.36%
2002						
Jan	8,13%	7.66%	0.47%	7.62%	7.30%	0.32%
Feb	8.18%	7.54%	0.64%	7.51%	7.22%	0.29%
Mar	8.32%	7.76%	0.56%	7.83%	7.36%	0.47%
	8.26%	7.57%	0.69%	7.62%	7.27%	0.35%
Apr						
May	8.33%	7.52%	0.81%	7.62%	7.29%	0.33%
June	8.26%	7.42%	0.84%	7.74%	7.40%	0.34%
July	8.07%	7.31%	0.76%	7.64%	7.33%	0.31%
Aug	7.74%	7.17%	0.57%	7.42%	7.20%	0.22%
Sept	7.62%	7.08%	0.54%	7.48%	7.18%	0.30%
Oct	8.00%	7.23%	0.54%	7.59%	7.37%	0.30%
Nov	7.76%	7.14%	0.62%	7.56%	7.38%	0.18%
Dec	7.61%	7.07%	0.54%	7.57%	7.06%	0.51%
2003						
Jan	7,47%	7.06%	0.41%	7.61%	7.13%	0.48%
Feb	7,17%	6.93%	0.24%	7.62%	7.01%	0.61%
Mar	7.05%	6.79%	0.26%	7.66%	7.05%	0.61%
Apr	6.94%	6.64%	0.30%	7.51%	6.97%	0.54%
May	6.47%	6.36%	0.11%	7.42%	6.83%	0.59%
June	6,30%	6.21%	0.09%	7.41%	6.81%	0.60%
July	6.67%	6.57%	0.10%	7,24%	6.84%	0.40%
Aug	7.08%	6.78%	0.30%	7.29%	6.77%	0.52%
				7.28%	6.73%	0.55%
Sept	6,87%	6.56%	0.31%			
Oct	6.79%	6.43%	0.36%	7.26%	6.87%	0.39%
Nov	6.69%	6.37%	0.32%	7.29%	6.84%	0.45%
Dec	6,61%	6.27%	0.34%	7.28%	6.70%	0.58%
2004						
Jan	6.47%	6.15%	0.32%	7.20%	6.65%	0.55%
Feb	6.28%	6.15%	0.13%	7.20%	6.71%	0.49%
Mar	6.12%	5.97%	0.15%	7.20%	6.70%	0.50%
Apr	6.46%	6.35%	0.11%	7.27%	7,10%	0.17%
May	6.75%	6.62%	0.13%	7.64%	7.42%	0.22%
June	6.84%	6.46%	0.38%	7.17%	7.00%	0.17%
July	6.67%	6.27%	0.40%	6.89%	6.64%	0.25%
Aug	6.45%	6.14%	0.31%	6.74%	6.38%	0.36%
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Sept	6.27%	5.98%	0.29%		6.24%	0.37%
Oct	6.17%	5.94%	0.23%	6.53%	6.26%	0.27%
Nov	6.16%	5.97%	0.19%	6.23%	6.19%	0.04%
Dec	6.10%	5.92%	0.18%	6.42%	6.16%	0.26%
2005						
Jan	5.95%	5.78%	0.17%	6.35%	6.15%	0.20%
Feb	5.76%	5.61%	0.15%	6.36%	6.29%	0.07%
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Apr	5.95%	5.64%	0.31%	6.41%	6.17%	0.24%
May	5,88%	5.53%	0.35%	6.39%	6.24%	0.15%
June	5.70%	5.40%	0.30%	6.37%	6.20%	0.17%
July	5.81%	5.51%	0.30%	6.35%	6.22%	0.13%
Aug	5,80%	5.50%	0.30%	6.36%	6.21%	0.15%
Sept	5,83%	5.52%	0.31%	6.38%	6.27%	0.11%
Oct	6.08%	5.79%	0.29%	6.40%	6.41%	-0.01%
Nov	6.19%	5.88%	0.31%	6.45%	6.31%	0.14%
Dec	6.14%	5.80%	0.34%	6.42%	6.19%	0.23%
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2006	0.00%	C 750/	0.240/	C 4407	C 4 407	שלפ ת
Jan	6.06%	5.75%	0.31%	6.41%	6.14%	0.27%
Feb	6.11%	5.82%	0.29%	6.38%	6.10%	0,28%
Mar	6.26%	5.98%	0.28%	6.56%	6,22%	0.34%
Apr	6.54%	6.29%	0.25%	6.64%	6.31%	0.33%
May	6.59%	6.42%	0.17%	6.57%	6.32%	0.25%
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June						
Average			0.33%			0.30%

Source: Mergent Bond Record.