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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Dave Danner, Executive Director & Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W.
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**Re: Compliance Filing: Docket No. UG-080546
Low-Income Bill Assistance Program**

Dear Mr. Danner:

Northwest Natural Gas Company, dba NW Natural (“NW Natural” or the “Company”), files herewith the following revisions to its Tariff WN U-6, stated to become effective on and after May 1, 2009:

Ninth Revision of Sheet vii,
Tariff Index (continued),

Eighth Revision of Sheet viii,
Tariff Index (continued),

Original Sheet J.1,
Schedule J
“Gas Residential Energy Assistance Tariff (GREAT),

Original Sheet J.2,
Schedule J
“Gas Residential Energy Assistance Tariff (GREAT) (continued),

Original Sheet J.3,
Schedule J
“Gas Residential Energy Assistance Tariff (GREAT) (continued), and

Original Sheet 230.1,
Schedule 230
“Temporary Adjustments to Rates for Low-Income Programs.”

This filing is made in compliance with paragraph 28 and Appendix B of the Commission’s Final Order (Order No. 04) entered December 26, 2008, Docket No. UG-080546.

The new Gas Residential Energy Assistance Tariff (GREAT) proposed herein is the result of the combined efforts of NW Natural and the Low-Income Rate Assistance Working Group convened pursuant to the Commission's Final Order. Some aspects of the proposed program represent a compromise of the parties. The Company is confident that the proposed program will achieve the ultimate goal of providing much needed bill payment assistance to our low-income customers in the state of Washington.

The Company respectfully requests that the tariff sheets filed herein be approved to become effective with service on and after May 1, 2009.

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.

As required by WAC 480-80-103(4)(a), I certify that I have authority to issue tariff revisions on behalf of NW Natural.

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Sincerely,

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