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**Re: General Rule 2: Establishment and Re-establishment of Credit
General Rule 3: Deposits and Other Security
General Rule 20: Termination of Gas Service by Customer**

Northwest Natural Gas Company, dba NW Natural ("NW Natural" or the "Company"), files herewith the following revisions and additions to its Tariff WN U-6 stated to become effective on and after **December 1, 2010**:

Sixth Revision of Sheet iii
Tariff Index;

Fourth Revision of Sheet 00.1,
General Rules and Regulations,
Definitions;

Fourth Revision of Sheet 2.1,
General Rules and Regulations,
"Rule 2. Establishment and Re-establishment of Credit";

Second Revision of Sheet 2.2,
General Rules and Regulations,
"Rule 2. Establishment and Re-establishment of Credit (continued)";

Original Sheet 2.3,
General Rules and Regulations,
"Rule 2. Establishment and Re-establishment of Credit (continued)";

Original Sheet 2.4,
General Rules and Regulations,
“Rule 2. Establishment and Re-establishment of Credit (continued)”;

Original Sheet 2.5,
General Rules and Regulations,
“Rule 2. Establishment and Re-establishment of Credit (continued)”;

Original Sheet 2.6,
General Rules and Regulations,
“Rule 2. Establishment and Re-establishment of Credit (continued)”;

First Revision of Sheet 3.1,
General Rules and Regulations,
“Rule 3. Deposits and Other Security”;

Second Revision of Sheet 3.2,
General Rules and Regulations,
“Rule 3. Deposits and Other Security (continued)”;

Original Sheet 3.3,
General Rules and Regulations,
“Rule 3. Deposits and Other Security (continued)”;

Original Sheet 3.4,
General Rules and Regulations,
“Rule 3. Deposits and Other Security (continued)”;

Original Sheet 3.5,
General Rules and Regulations,
“Rule 3. Deposits and Other Security (continued)”;

Original Sheet 3.6,
General Rules and Regulations,
“Rule 3. Deposits and Other Security (continued)”;

Original Sheet 3.7,
General Rules and Regulations,
“Rule 3. Deposits and Other Security (continued)”;

Fourth Revision of Sheet 20.1,
General Rules and Regulations,
“Rule 20. Termination of Gas Service Account – By Customer.”

The purpose of this filing is to make changes to the Company’s Tariff to clarify the rules around (a) establishing and re-establishing credit, and (b) deposits and other security, as follows:

- Clarify the definition of an Applicant.
- Better distinguish between the conditions for establishment of credit and for payment of a deposit.
- Clarify the credit and deposit rules for builders, contractors, property developers and property managers.
- Revise the rules for deposits for non-residential seasonal customers.
- Allow multiple accounts for the same customer to be combined to meet the requirement for establishing or re-establishing credit.
- Clearly distinguish rules for applicants with prior account history with the Company.
- Establish parameters for accepting proof of ability to pay as an option to establish credit.
- Clarify the requirements for a non-residential customer to re-establish credit.
- Clarify the rules relating to residential surety agreements.
- Clarify deposit refund provisions.

The Company respectfully requests that the tariff sheets filed herein be approved to become effective with service on and after December 1, 2010.

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

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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Sincerely,

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