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Dave Danner Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 So. Evergreen Park Drive SW Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket UG-\_\_\_\_: NW Natural's Statement and Request for Written Order Establishing Compliance With RCW 80.08.040 With Respect to the Proposed Issuance and Sale of Not More Than \$75,000,000 of Medium-Term Notes, Series B.

Dear Mr. Danner:

Transmitted herewith for filing with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (the "Commission") is a Statement complying with RCW 80.08.040 and WAC 480-90-242, and a Request for a Written Order confirming such compliance by Northwest Natural Gas Company (the "Company") with respect to the Company's proposed issuance and sale of up to \$75,000,000 principal amount of its Medium-Term Notes, Series B.

Also transmitted herewith is a draft proposed order of the Commission for use in connection with the processing of the Company's Statement and Request for Written Order.

If you have any questions, or if you require additional information in support of this Statement and Request for Written Order, please give me a call at 503-220-2435 or e-mail at smf@nwnatural.com, or contact Steve Feltz, our Treasurer and Controller at 503-220-2345 or spf@nwnatural.com.

Upon completion, please forward to me at this address, 10 certified copies of the Order of the Commission in this Docket along with an electronic copy at the above email address.

Sincerely,

Shawn M. Filippi

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