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Re: Combined Effects: November 1, 2020 Adjustments to Rates NW Natural WUTC Advice Nos. 20-5 through 20-9

Northwest Natural Gas Company, dba NW Natural (NW Natural or the Company) files revisions to its Tariff WN U-6, stated to become effective with service on and after November 1, 2020.

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| Effective November 1, 2020 | Summary of Rates | Summary of Monthly Sales Service Billing Rates |
| Effective November 1, 2020 | Summary of Rates | Summary of Monthly Transportation Service Billing Rates |
| Twenty-Ninth Revision of Sheet 101.1 | Rate Schedule 1 | General Sales Service |
| Twenty-Ninth Revision of Sheet 102.1 | Rate Schedule 2 | Residential Sales Service |
| Seventeenth Revision of Sheet 103.3 | Rate Schedule 3 | Basic Firm Sales Service – Non-Residential (continued) |
| Twenty-Ninth Revision of Sheet 127.1 | Rate Schedule 27 | Residential Hearing Dry-Out Service |
| Fifteenth Revision of Sheet 141.9 | Rate Schedule 41 | Non-Residential Sales and Transportation Service (continued) |
| Tenth Revision of Sheet 141.10 | Rate Schedule 41 | Non-Residential Sales and Transportation Service (continued) |
| Sixteenth Revision of Sheet 142.10 | Rate Schedule 42 | Large Volume Non-Residential Sales and Transportation Service (continued) |
| Eleventh Revision of Sheet 142.10.1 | Rate Schedule 42 | Large Volume Non-Residential Sales and Transportation Service (continued) |
| Sixteenth Revision of Sheet 142.11 | Rate Schedule 42 | Large Volume Non-Residential Sales and Transportation Service (continued) |
| First Revision of Sheet 142.12 | Rate Schedule 42 | Large Volume Non-Residential Sales and Transportation Service (continued) |
| Fifteenth Revision of Sheet 143.6 | Rate Schedule 43 | High Volume Non-Residential Firm and Interruptible Transportation Service (continued) |

Purpose

The purpose of this filing is to revise the tariff sheets listed above to reflect: (1) the removal of temporary adjustments that were placed into rates effective November 1, 2019, and the application of the proposed temporary adjustments identified in the Company's filings NW Natural WUTC Advice Nos. 20-4, 20-5, 20-6, 20-7, 20-8 and 20-9 respectively, and (2) the application of the proposed Annual WACOG and demand charges identified in NW Natural's WUTC Advice No. 20-10, to customer rates proposed to be effective November 1, 2020.

Background

The Company revises rates for these purposes annually; the last such filing was effective on November 1, 2019.

Proposed Changes

The combined effect of the rate changes proposed to become effective November 1, 2020, is an increase to the average monthly bills in the primary rate schedules as follows: Residential Schedule 2 bills will increase by 8.3% and commercial Schedule 3 bills will increase 8.5%. If the effects of the temporary rate adjustments were permanent, the combined result of all components of the rate changes would be an increase in the Company's revenues from its Washington operations of \$6,547,096, or 10.05%.¹

In addition to the supporting materials submitted as part of this filing, the Company will separately submit work papers in electronic format, all of which are incorporated herein by reference.

In accordance with WAC 480-90-198 and WAC 480-90-194(5), the Company is providing notice to customers as stated in WAC 480-90-194(4). Included with this filing is a copy of the Company's press release that will be issued coincident with the submission of this advice filing as well as the notice that will be published in the Company's customer newsletter, the Comfort Zone.

This rate change affects all of NW Natural's Washington customers. NW Natural currently serves approximately 81,360 residential customers and 7,309 business and industrial customers in the Company's Washington service territory.

Conclusion

The Company respectfully requests that the tariff sheets filed herewith be approved to become effective with service on and after November 1, 2020.

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

Copies of this letter and the attached filing are available in the Company's main office in Portland, Oregon, and on its website at www.nwnatural.com.

Please address correspondence on this matter to me with copies to the following:

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¹ These changes also include the Company's Environmental Cost Recovery Mechanism filed under UG-200649 on July 15, 2020 with a proposed rate effective date of November 1, 2020, in addition to the Company's filings NW Natural WUTC Advice Nos. 20-5 through 20-9, filed September 14, 2020.

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Attachments:

NEW-NWN-Advice-20-10-Combined-Effects-Summary-of-Rates-09-14-2020
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