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Jeff Killip  
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RE: NEW, Cascade Advice No. W24-09-03, Decoupling

Director Killip

Cascade Natural Gas Corporation (“Cascade” or “Company”) herewith submits to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (“Commission”) the following revisions to its Tariff WN U-3, stated to become effective with service on and after November 1, 2024:

Eighth Revision of Sheet No. 594

The purpose of this filing is to amortize the difference between authorized revenues and actual revenues for the timeframe of January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023, which is consistent with the Company’s Rule 21, Decoupling Mechanism, and the terms adopted in Order No. 04 in UG-152286.

Rule 21, Decoupling Mechanism, was approved in the Company’s rate case in Docket UG-152286 and allows Cascade to defer the difference between billed revenue and the authorized margin per customer, which is a different amount per customer class, per month. Billed and authorized revenue differ for a number of reasons including the installation of conservation measures, weather variations, and different gas usage patterns. The deferred balance is then amortized through the Schedule 594 adjustment rate that becomes effective concurrently with the Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA).

Service	Schedule No.	Incremental Rate Change	Proposed Rate per Therm	Percent Change
Residential	503	\$0.02811	\$0.01672	2.14%
Commercial	504	\$0.01185	\$(0.01012)	0.99%
Industrial	505	\$(0.00431)	\$(0.00491)	-0.40%
Industrial Lrg Volume	511	\$0.03164	\$0.03503	3.00%
Interruptible	570	\$0.00142	\$(0.00258)	0.16%

For the average residential customer using 54 therms, the changes proposed in this filing will result in an average monthly bill of \$93.18, which is an increase of \$1.52 or 1.66 percent. For the average commercial customer using 271 therms per month, these changes result in an average monthly bill \$429.73, which is an increase of \$3.21 or 0.75 percent.

The proposed change will affect all of Cascade's Washington customers except transportation only customers. Cascade serves approximately 204,189 residential, 27,579 commercial and 495 industrial customers in the state of Washington.

In compliance with WAC 480-90-194(3), the Company will mail customers a bill insert notifying them of the proposed rate increase. The issuance of bill inserts to customers will begin on September 16. In addition, Cascade will publish on its webpage the anticipated rate increase, provide copies of the notice to Community Action agencies and organizations within its service territory, and provide notice to the news media. The Company has provided a copy of the bill insert in Advice No. W24-09-01.

The overall earnings test of 1.53 percent is below the 3.0 percent maximum annual rate adjustment, no adjustment for earnings sharing under UG-152286 is required.

This electronically submitted advice filing is comprised of the following files:

- NEW-CNGC-Advice-W24-09-03-Decoupling-CLtr-09-13-2024.pdf
- NEW-CNGC-Advice-W24-09-03-Decoupling-Trf-09-13-2024.pdf
- NEW-CNGC-Advice-W24-09-03-Exh-A-09-13-2024.pdf
- NEW-CNGC-Advice-W24-09-03-Decoupling-WP-09-13-2024.xlsx
- NEW-CNGC-Advice-W24-09-03-Rule-21-Decoupling-WP-09-13-2024.xlsx

Please direct any questions regarding this filing to me at (208) 377-6015 or Zach Harris at (509) 734-4549.

Sincerely,

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