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 P.O. Box 47250
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Regarding: Cascade Natural Gas Conservation Program Adjustment Annual Filing

Cascade Natural Gas Corporation (“Cascade”) encloses for filing the following proposed tariff sheet containing a requested effective date of November 1, 2024:

Ninetieth Revision Sheet No. 596 Canceling Eighty- Ninth Revision Sheet No. 596

The purpose of the conservation program adjustment (“CPA”) filing is to pass on changes in the amount of conservation program expenditures affecting customer rates as a result of deferral account amortizations.

The rates contain information developing the level of the per therm change necessary to amortize the outstanding deferral balances of \$17,297,075 for the twelve months ended July 31, 2024. The \$17,297,075 is comprised of \$9,680,932 for the residential program, \$1,159,976 for the commercial program, \$1,301,712 for the low-income program, \$2,837,016 is for administration costs, and \$2,317,440 is for the residual balance from last year’s filing. The total amortization requested in this filing is a debit of \$17,400,888. The annual revenue change reflected in this filing is an increase of \$4,538,965 to customers, or an increase in annual revenue of 1.32 percent. Below is a table summarizing the proposed changes reflected in this filing:

<u>Service</u>	<u>Sch. No.</u>	<u>Rate Change</u>	<u>Proposed Rate Per Therm</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
Residential	503	\$0.01643	\$0.06299	1.25%
Commercial	504	\$0.01643	\$0.06299	1.37%
Industrial	505	\$0.01643	\$0.06299	1.54%
Industrial Lg Vol	511	\$0.01643	\$0.06299	1.56%
Interruptible	570	\$0.01643	\$0.06299	1.83%

The impact of the CPA is a revenue increase of \$4,538,965 or a 1.32 percent increase. The impact to an average residential customer using 54 therms per month will be an increase of \$0.89 or 0.97 percent.

The proposed change will affect all of Cascade's retail sales 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 will provide a copy of the bill insert in a separate filing, Advice No. W24-09-01.

If you have any questions, please direct them to me at (208) 377-6015 or Michael Parvinen at (509) 734-4593.

Sincerely,

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Attachments

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