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Stephen V. King, Executive Director & Secretary
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**Re: UG-161259 - related to Docket UG-080546
2017 First Quarterly (Q1) Report on NW Natural's Energy Efficiency (EE) Program**

Dear Mr. King:

Northwest Natural Gas Company, dba NW Natural ("NW Natural" or the "Company"), hereby submits the 2017 Q1 report on the Company's Energy Efficiency program. This report is submitted in compliance with the Company's Energy Efficiency Plan ("EE Plan"), which is by reference part of the Company's Tariff Schedule G, "Energy Efficiency Services and Programs – Residential and Commercial," and was filed and approved in Docket UG-161259.

The Company's Energy Efficiency program is monitored by the interested parties who have formed the Energy Efficiency Advisory Group (EEAG) in compliance with the stipulated agreement approved in Order 04 in the Company's last general rate case, Docket UG-080546, and the Company's Energy Efficiency Plan.

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