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Kathy Hunter Acting Executive Director and Secretary Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: UG-230426, Cascade Natural Gas Pipeline Replacement Cost Recovery Mechanism Update Supplement to Advice No. W23-06-01

Dear Director Hunter:

On June 1, 2023, Cascade Natural Gas Corporation ("Cascade" or "Company") submitted Advice No. W23-06-01, docketed as UG-230426 to revise the rates in Schedule 597, Cost Recovery Mechanism. The Company herewith files the following <u>replacement</u> sheet, with the requested effective date of November 1, 2023:

Fifteenth Revision of Sheet No. 597

Cascade submits this supplemental filing in accordance with the Commission's policy statement in Docket UG-120715, updating its Cost Recovery Mechanism rates with actual costs as of September 30, 2023, and estimated costs through October 31, 2023.

The proposed tariff will result in an annual revenue increase of approximately \$2.4 million or .71 percent. The average impact to a residential customer using 54 therms per month will be an increase of \$0.50 per month or .66 percent. The average monthly residential bill will increase from \$75.23 to \$75.73.

The proposed change will affect all of Cascade's Washington customers. Cascade serves approximately 202,519 residential, 27,445 commercial, 492 industrial, 100 large volume, and seven industrial interruptible customers in the state of Washington.

In compliance with WAC 480-90-194(3), the Company mailed customers a bill insert notifying them of the proposed rate increase. The issuance of bill inserts to customers began on September

15. In addition, Cascade published on its webpage the anticipated rate increase, provided copies of the notice to Community Action agencies and organizations within its service territory, and provide notice to the news media. The Company filed the bill insert in Advice No. W23-09-01 (UG-230745).

A number of the worksheets included in this filing contain valuable commercial information. Cascade respectfully requests protection and confidential treatment of the attached confidential information under Chapters 42.17 RCW, RCW 80.04.095 and WAC 480-07-160. Public disclosure of this information would result in private loss, including an unfair competitive disadvantage, which would negatively affect the Company's shareholders.

The following files are submitted as part of this filing:

UG-230426-CNGC-CRM-Cltr-10-13-23.pdf UG-230426-CNGC-CRM-Trf-10-13-23.pdf UG-230426-CNGC-CRM-Replacement-Projects-WP-10-13-2023.xlsx UG-230426-CNGC-CRM-Monthly-Details-WP-10-13-2023(C).xlsx UG-230426-CNGC-CRM-Monthly-Details-WP-10-13-2023(R).pdf UG-230426-CNGC-Invoices-WP-10-13-2023(C).pdf UG-230426-CNGC-Invoices-WP-10-13-2023(R).pdf UG-230426-CNGC-Invoices-WP-10-13-2023(R).pdf UG-230426-CNGC-Summary-Bill-Impact-WP-10.13.23.xlsx

If additional information is required to facilitate Staff's review, please contact either Michael Parvinen at (509) 528-9223 or me at (208) 377-6015.

Sincerely,

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Attachments