

March 4, 2010

David W. Danner, Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW
P. O. Box 47250
Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Re: *UTC v. Northwest Natural Gas Company*
Docket UG-080546

Dear Mr. Danner:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket are the original and 12 copies of Staff's Response to NW Natural's Petition for Declaratory Ruling, and Certificate of Service.

Sincerely,

GREGORY J. TRAUTMAN
Assistant Attorney General

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Enclosures
cc: Parties