# **EXHIBIT A**

# BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

# CASCADE NATURAL GAS CORPORATION

**Decoupling Mechanism Adjustments** 

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# Cascade Natural Gas Corporation DMA CALCULATION OF PER THERM RATES TO AMORTIZE DEFERRED ACCOUNTS State of Washington Decoupling Mechanism

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Line No.	Consolidated Account (a)		count Balance 12/31/2020 (b)	Assignments & Amortization through 10/31/2021 (c)		als Through Am. (d)		ount (e)	503 (g) 130,679,417	89	504 (h) 9,120,218	505 (i) 930,578	511 (j) 32,493			Proposed Period of Am. (n)	
1 2 3 4 5	503 504 505 511 570	\$ \$ \$ \$	456,198 \$ 702,020 \$ (59,720) \$ (1,159,684) \$ 26,577 \$	1,713,078 145,076 236,203	\$ \$ \$	17,671.34 32,308.81 1,382.02 (14,886.90) 97.66	\$ 2, \$ \$	,404,256 ,447,407 86,738 (938,367) 6,377	0.01075	\$	0.02746	\$ 0.00727	\$ (0.05383)		.002817	1 Year 1 Year 1 Year 1 Year 1 Year	Decoupling Mechanism Decoupling Mechanism Decoupling Mechanism Decoupling Mechanism Decoupling Mechanism
6	TOTAL	S	(34,609) \$	3,004,447	\$ 3% Test Rate Adjus Final Proposed Dec	. ,	\$ 3,	,006,411	\$ 0.01075 \$0.00000 \$0.01075	\$	0.02746 (\$0.02427) \$0.00319	<b>0.00727</b> \$0.00000 <b>\$0.00727</b>	(0.05383) \$0.00000 \$0.05383)	\$(	0.00282 0.00000 0.00282		

Notes

<sup>(1)</sup> See page 6 Exhibit A for earnings test and 3% test adjustment calculations.

# Cascade Natural Gas Corporation DERIVATION OF PROPOSED RATE LEVEL WITHIN RATE ADDITION SCHEDULE NO. 594 State of Washington

		Reverse Prior		Incremental R/S			
	Rate	Decoupling	Decoupling Related	594 Rate	Posted R/S 594		
Description	Schedule	Rate Adj.	Temporary Rate Adj.	Change	Tariff Rate		
(a)	(b)	(c)	(c) (d) (e)		(c) (d) (e)		(f)
CORE MARKET RA	TE SCHED	ULES					
Residential	503	\$ 0.00910	\$ 0.01075	\$ 0.01985	\$ 0.01075		
Commercial	504	\$ 0.02414	\$ 0.00319	\$ 0.02733	\$ 0.00319		
Com-Ind Dual Service	511	\$ 0.01908	\$ (0.05383)	\$ (0.03475)	\$ (0.05383)		
Industrial Firm	505	\$ 0.01417	\$ 0.00727	\$ 0.02144	\$ 0.00727		
Industrial Interr.	570	\$ (0.01199)	\$ 0.00282	\$ (0.00917)	\$ 0.00282		

Tab Name: DMA Proposed Rate 594

						F	Per Therm		
Line		Rate	Average	Forecasted	Actual	0	ecoupling	Amount of	Percentage
No.	Description	Schedule	# of Bills	Therms Sold	Revenue		Change	Change	Change
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)		(f)	(g)	(h)
	CORE MARKET RATE SCHEDULES		•					•	
1	Residential	503	197,371	130,679,417	132,980,825	\$	0.01985	\$ 2,593,4	64 1.95%
2	Commercial	504	26,933	89,120,218	81,203,573	\$	0.02733	\$ 2,435,8	34 3.00%
3	Industrial Firm	505	484	11,930,578	8,959,376	\$	0.02144	\$ 255,7	92 2.86%
4	Large Volume	511	95	17,432,493	12,092,638	\$	(0.03475)	\$ (605,7	62) -5.01%
5	Industrial Interruptible	570	7	2,264,179	1,392,481	\$	(0.00917)	\$ (20,7	69) -1.49%
6			224,890	251,426,886	236,628,892			\$ 4,658,5	<b>58</b> 1.97%
7		685/686		-	-	\$	-	\$	
8	Distribution	663	196	699,506,305	22,632,554	\$	-	\$	0.00%
9	Special Contracts	9xx	6	192,707,530	3,908,394	\$	-	\$	
10	Subtotal Non-core		202	892,213,835	26,540,948			\$	
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11	CORE & NON-CORE		225,092	1,143,640,721	263,169,840			\$ 4,658,5	58 1.77%

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# Cascade Natural Gas Corporation DMA TYPICAL MONTHLY THERM USAGE AND COST BY CLASS FOR TWELVE MONTHS ENDED 12/31/2020 State of Washington

				Per Therm		
Line			Revenue at	Rate	Amount of	Percent
No.	Description	Therm Sales	11/01/2020 Rates	Change	Change	Change
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
1	Residential (503)	130,679,417	132,980,825	\$ 0.01985	2,593,464	1.95%
2	Commercial (504)	89,120,218	81,203,573	\$ 0.02733	2,435,834	3.00%
3	Industrial (505)	11,930,578	8,959,376	\$ 0.02144	255,792	2.86%
4	Industrial Lg Vol (511)	17,432,493	12,092,638	\$ (0.03475)	(605,762)	-5.01%
5	Interruptible (570)	2,264,179	1,392,481	\$ (0.00917)	(20,769)	-1.49%

Tab Name: DMA Cost by Class

### Cascade Natural Gas Corporation DMA PROPOSED TYPICAL MONTHLY BILL BY CLASS State of Washington

		UG-200568					Proposed		Proposed
		Typical		Current	7/1/2021	Proposed	11/1/2021		11/1/2021
Line		Monthly	Basic	7/1/2021	Current	11/1/2021	DMA Effect	Bill	DMA Effects
No.	Type of Service	Therm Used Ser	vice Cha	rgeBilling Rates	Average Bill	DMA Effects	Average Bill	Difference	% Bill Change
					e=c+(b*d)		g=c+(b*f)		
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)		
1	Residential, Schedule 503	56	\$5	\$0.91169	\$56.05	\$0.93154	\$57.17	\$1.11	1.98%
2	Commercial, Schedule 504	290	\$13	\$0.84413	\$257.80	\$0.87146	\$265.72	\$7.93	3.07%
3	Industrial Firm, Schedule 505		\$60						
4	First 500 therms			\$0.78232		\$0.80376			
5	Next 3,500 therms			\$0.74555		\$0.76699			
6	Over 4,000 therms			\$0.73999		\$0.76143			
7	Total 505	2,273			\$1,773.02		\$1,821.75	\$48.73	2.75%
8	Com-Ind Dual Service, Schedule 511		\$125						
9	First 500 therms			\$0.73584		\$0.70109			
11	Next 3,500 therms			\$0.69960		\$0.66485			
12	Over 4,000 therms			\$0.60995		\$0.57520			
13	Total 511	14,356			\$9,258.16		\$8,759.31	-\$498.86	-5.39%
14	Industrial Interruptible, Schedule 570	)	\$163						
15	First 30,000 therms			\$0.68492		\$0.67575			
16	Over 30,000 therms			\$0.62374		\$0.61457			
17	Total 570	24,313			\$16,815.46		\$16,592.44	-\$223.02	-1.33%

### Cascade Natural Gas Decoupling Mechanism Earnings Test and 3% Test 2020 Deferrals

### 2020 Commission Basis Earnings Test for Decoupling

Line No.	Natural Gas
1 Rate Base	\$ 420,487,637
2 Net Income	\$ 24,683,914
3 Calculated ROR	5.87%
4 Base ROR	7.24%
5 Excess ROR	-1.37%
6 Excess Earnings	\$ -
7 Conversion Factor	0.75554
8 Excess Revenue (Excess Earnings/CF)	\$ -
9 Sharing %	50%
10 2020 Total Earnings Test Sharing	\$ -
11 Adjusted Revenues from CBR	\$ 265,512,253
12 2021 Decoupling Deferral Balance	\$ 3,006,411
13 Earnings Test	1.13%

### Line No. 3% Incremental Surcharge Test

		Residential 503	(	Commerical 504	Industrial 505		Com-Ind 511		Indust. Interr. 570		Total WA
1	Revenue From 2020 Normalized Loads and Customers at Present Billing Rates (1)	\$ 132,980,825	\$	81,203,573	\$	8,959,376	\$ 12,092,638	\$	1,392,481	\$	236,628,892
2	August 2021 - July 2022 Usage	130,679,417		89,120,218		11,930,578	17,432,493		2,264,179		251,426,886
3	Proposed Decoupling Recovery Rates	\$0.01075		\$0.02746		\$0.00727	(\$0.05383)		\$0.00282		
4	Present Decoupling Surcharge Recovery Rates	(0.00910)		(0.02414)		(0.01417)	(0.01908)		0.01199		
5	Incremental Decoupling Recovery Rates	\$0.01985		\$0.05160		\$0.02144	(\$0.03475)		(\$0.00917)		
6	Incremental Decoupling Recovery	\$ 2,593,464	\$	4,598,782	\$	255,792	\$ (605,762)	\$	(20,769)	\$	6,821,506
7	Incremental Surcharge %	1.95%		5.66%		2.86%	-5.01%		-1.49%		
8	3% Test Adjustment (2)	\$0		(\$2,162,674)		\$0	\$0		\$0		
9	3% Test Rate Adjustment	\$0.00000		(\$0.02427)		\$0.00000	\$0.00000		\$0.00000		
10	Adjusted Proposed Decoupling Recovery Rates	\$0.01075		\$0.00319		\$0.00727	(\$0.05383)		\$0.00282		
11	Adjusted Incremental Decoupling Recovery	\$ 2,593,464	\$	2,435,834	\$	255,792	\$ (605,762)	\$	(20,769)	\$	4,658,558
12	Adjusted Incremental Surcharge %	1.95%		3.00%		2.86%	-5.01%		-1.49%		

<sup>(1)</sup> Revenue from 2020 normalized loads and customers at present billing rates effective since November 1, 2020.

<sup>(2)</sup> The carryover balances will differ from the 3% adjustment amounts due  $\,$ to the revenue related expense gross up partially offset by additional interest on the outstanding balance during the amortization period.