NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY

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Original Sheet 300.1

SCHEDULE 300 DECOUPLING MECHANISM

PURPOSE:

To (a) describe the decoupling mechanism established in accordance with Commission Order in Docket UG XXXXXX; and (b) identify the adjustment applicable to rates under the Rate Schedules listed below.

APPLICABLE:

To Residential and Commercial Firm and Interruptible Sales Service Customers served under the Rate Schedules of this Tariff listed below.

| Residential | Commercial |
|-----------------|------------------|
| Rate Schedule 1 | Rate Schedule 1 |
| Rate Schedule 2 | Rate Schedule 3 |
| | Rate Schedule 27 |
| | Rate Schedule 41 |
| | Rate Schedule 42 |

ADJUSTMENT TO RATE SCHEDULES:

The Temporary Adjustments per therm reflected in the billing rate tables of the applicable Rate Schedule include the following amount:

| Rate Schedule | Adjustment |
|---------------|------------|
| Schedule 1R | \$0.00000 |
| Schedule 1C | \$0.00000 |
| Schedule 2 | \$0.00000 |
| Schedule 27 | \$0.00000 |
| Schedule 3 | \$0.00000 |
| Schedule 41 | \$0.00000 |
| Schedule 42 | \$0.00000 |

No further adjustment to the stated billing rate is required.

DECOUPLING CALCULATION:

For purposes of calculating the decoupling adjustments, the applicable Rate Schedules are divided into four Customer Groups, as follows:

| Rate Schedules | Rate Schedules |
|----------------|--------------------------|
| Group 1 | Schedule 1R |
| Group 2 | Schedule 2; Schedule 27 |
| Group 3 | Schedule 1C; Schedule 3 |
| Group 4 | Schedule 41; Schedule 42 |

Each month, the difference between actual margin-per-customer and normalized margin-per-customer (aka decoupling margin-per-customer) is calculated for each Customer Group as follows:

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