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Steven King, Executive Director & Secretary  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
1300 S Evergreen Park Drive SW  
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Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

**Re: UG-152349, 2016 Annual 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 files the 2016 Annual 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-152349.

In 2016, the Company's Energy Efficiency program for residential and commercial customers saved 330,866 therms at a cost of \$1,818,821. The Washington Low-Income Energy Efficiency program saved 6,048 therms at a cost of \$94,735. These two programs, in addition to \$93,560 for the Northwest Energy Efficiency Alliance natural gas market transformation pilot, saved 336,914 therms at a cost of \$2,007,116.

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 rate case, Docket UG-080546 and the Company's Energy Efficiency Plan.

If you have any questions, please call me at (503) 226-4211, extension 5865.

Respectfully submitted,

*/s/ Gail Hammer*

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