AGREEMENT FOR PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY

- Seller: Northwest Natural Gas Company 222 NW Second Avenue Portland, Oregon 97209 Attention: Wayne Pipes, Director of Facilities
- Buyer: Ganesh K. Sonpatki 415 SW Montgomery Street Portland, Oregon 97201

RECITALS

A. Seller is the owner of real property commonly known as 176 W. Marine Drive, Astoria, Oregon (Tax Lot 700) consisting of approximately 1.31 acres located in Clatsop County, Oregon (the "Property") to be legally described in the Title Report (as such term is defined below). The Property includes two buildings (the "Buildings").

B. Buyer desires to purchase from Seller, and Seller desires to sell to Buyer, the Property on the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration and based upon the foregoing recitals and the mutual covenants hereinafter set forth, Seller and Buyer agree as follows:

AGREEMENTS

1. **Purchase and Sale.** Seller agrees to sell to Buyer and Buyer agrees to purchase from Seller the Property subject to the terms of this Agreement.

2. **Purchase Price and Payment.** The purchase price for the Property shall be One Million Four Hundred Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$1,400,000.00), and shall be payable in full in cash upon closing. The sale shall be closed by Fidelity National Title Insurance Company (the "Title Company"), 900 SW Fifth Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97204, Attn: Shawnda Reszel (the "Escrow Agent").

3. Title Report. Within fifteen (15) days of the Execution Date (as such term is defined below), Seller shall order and cause to be delivered to Buyer a preliminary title report (the "Preliminary Report") from Escrow Agent. Buyer shall have not later than thirty (30) days after receipt of the Preliminary Report within which to give notice in writing to Seller of any objection to such title or to any liens or encumbrances affecting the Property. If Buyer fails to raise any such objection within such thirty (30) day period, all conditions and exceptions to title set forth in such Preliminary Report shall be "Permitted Exceptions." If Buyer objects to an exception to title, Seller shall notify Buyer within ten (10) days after notice of such objection whether Seller is willing and able to remove such exception. If Seller does not provide Buyer any responsive notice, it shall be deemed that Seller is unwilling to remove such exception. If Seller is willing and able to remove such exception, Seller shall do so at or prior to closing. If Seller is not willing or able to remove the objected-to exception, Buyer may, by written notice to

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Seller within ten (10) days after notice of Seller's determination (but no later than the Due Diligence Period (as such term is defined below)) to not remove such exception, terminate this Agreement, or Buyer may elect to acquire the Property subject to such exception. All exceptions described in the Preliminary Report and not removed or to be removed pursuant to this Section 3 shall be "Permitted Exceptions."

4. Contingencies.

(a) Buyer's obligation to close the purchase of the Property is subject to the satisfaction or waiver by Buyer of all of the following conditions:

(i) Buyer's approval of title as set forth in Section 3 of this Agreement.

(ii) Buyer determining within a period of one hundred eighty (180) days from the Execution Date (the "Due Diligence Period") that it is satisfied as to utilities, streets, zoning, land use and applicable city and county ordinances, other government approvals that affect the Property and its intended use by Buyer, the environmental condition of the Property and the suitability of the Property for Buyer's intended use thereof, which determination shall be in Buyer's sole and absolute discretion.

(b) If the foregoing conditions are timely satisfied or waived, Buyer shall prior to the expiration of the Due Diligence Period: (i) give Seller written notice thereof, and (ii) deposit with the Escrow Agent in immediately available funds as earnest money (the "Earnest Money Deposit") One Hundred Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$100,000.00, (i) and (ii) immediately above collectively referred to herein as the "Due Diligence Release Conditions"). If Buyer shall fail to satisfy the Due Diligence Release Conditions, this Agreement shall terminate and neither party shall have any further rights or obligations hereunder except for Buyer's obligations under Section 8 shall survive such termination. If Buyer timely satisfies the Due Diligence Release Conditions, the parties shall proceed to close the sale of the Property pursuant to Section 10 below and the Earnest Money Deposit shall be nonrefundable but a credit against the purchase price.

(c) Should Buyer not satisfy the Due Diligence Release Conditions, then Buyer shall immediately deliver to Seller all due diligence reports, studies or investigations of the Property ("Buyer's Reports") without cost to Seller. Buyer shall incur no liability for Seller's use of the Buyer's Reports or for Seller's distribution of the Buyer's Reports to third parties and Buyer provides the Buyer's Reports to Seller without any representations or warranties of any kind regarding the accuracy, completeness, thoroughness, or assignability thereof or Seller's right to use the same or rely thereon.

(d) Seller shall have no obligation whatsoever, but may provide Buyer information related to the Property ("Seller's Property Information"). Should Seller provide any Seller's Property Information, Seller shall do so as an accommodation to Buyer without representation or warranty of any kind as to the accuracy or completeness of Seller's Property Information or as to whether Seller has other information related to the Property that Seller does not provide to Buyer. Buyer acknowledges that it shall not rely on Seller's Property Information in connection

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5. Seller's Representations and Warranties. Seller represents and warrants to Buyer that:

(a) Seller has received no written notice from any governmental agency having jurisdiction in the matter of any violation of any statute, law, ordinance, or rules or regulation with respect to the existence, maintenance or operation of the Property.

(b) Seller has received no written notice of any condemnation, either instituted or threatened, from any governmental agency having jurisdiction in the matter of the Property.

(c) There are no lawsuits, actions, claims or proceedings pending by any party against Seller in connection with the Property or against the Property.

(d) Subject to Sections 17 and 18 below, Seller has the legal power, right and authority to enter into this Agreement and to consummate the transactions contemplated herein, and the individual executing this Agreement on behalf of Seller has been duly authorized to do so.

(e) There are no leases, licenses or other occupancy agreements or any options to purchase in effect in which Seller has granted any other party rights to purchase, possession or use of the Property or any portion thereof.

The foregoing representations and warranties shall be true and correct at closing, shall survive closing and shall not merge with the Deed.

6. Buyer's Representations and Warranties. Buyer represents and warrants to Seller that:

(a) Buyer has the full right, power and authority to enter into this Agreement and to perform Buyer's obligations hereunder and the individual executing this Agreement on behalf of Buyer has been duly authorized to do so

(b) Buyer shall conduct such investigation and diligence as Buyer deems necessary in connection with its purchase of the Property.

7. Disclaimer of Warranties and Covenants.

(a) EXCEPT AS SPECIFICALLY SET FORTH IN SECTION 5, SELLER HEREBY SPECIFICALLY DISCLAIMS ANY WARRANTY, GUARANTY OR REPRESENTATION, ORAL OR WRITTEN, PAST, PRESENT OR FUTURE, OF, AS TO, OR CONCERNING THE PROPERTY, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO (i) THE NATURE AND CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THE WATER, SOIL AND GEOLOGY, AND THE SUITABILITY THEREOF AND OF THE PROPERTY FOR ANY AND ALL ACTIVITIES AND USES WHICH BUYER MAY ELECT 3 – Agreement For Purchase of Real Property K:401121256 (Astoria Sale)/Agreement For Purchase of Real Property (v3.5).doc

TO CONDUCT THEREON, AND THE EXISTENCE OF ANY ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS OR CONDITIONS THEREON OR COMPLIANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS, RULES OR REGULATIONS: (ii) THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF ANY RIGHT-OF-WAY, LEASE, POSSESSION, LIEN, ENCUMBRANCE, LICENSE, RESERVATION, CONDITION OR OTHERWISE; (iii) THE VALUE, COMPLIANCE WITH PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS, SIZE, LOCATION, AGE, USE, DESIGN, QUALITY, DESCRIPTIONS, SUITABILITY, OPERATION, TITLE TO, OR PHYSICAL OR FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY, AND (iv) THE COMPLIANCE OF THE PROPERTY OR ITS **OPERATION WITH ANY LAWS, ORDINANCES OR REGULATIONS OF ANY** GOVERNMENT OR OTHER BODY. BUYER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT WILL INSPECT THE PROPERTY AND BUYER WILL RELY ON ITS OWN INVESTIGATION OF THE PROPERTY AND NOT ON ANY INFORMATION PROVIDED OR TO BE PROVIDED BY SELLER. BUYER EXPRESSLY ACKNOWLEDGES THAT, IN CONSIDERATION OF THE AGREEMENTS OF SELLER HEREIN, SELLER MAKES NO WARRANTY OR REPRESENTATION, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, OR ARISING BY OPERATION OF LAW. INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ANY WARRANTY OF CONDITION, HABITABILITY, MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. IN RESPECT OF THE PROPERTY. BUYER ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION 7 WERE A MATERIAL FACTOR IN THE DETERMINATION OF THE PURCHASE PRICE FOR THE PROPERTY.

Buyer agrees that Seller shall not be responsible or liable to Buyer for any **(b)** conditions affecting the Property, as Buyer is purchasing the Property AS-IS, WHERE-IS, and WITH ALL FAULTS. Buyer or anyone claiming, by, through or under Buyer, hereby fully releases Seller, its officers, directors, employees, representatives and agents for any cost, loss, liability, damage, expense, demand, action or cause of action arising from or related to conditions affecting the Property. Buyer further acknowledges and agrees that this Agreement shall be given full force and effect according to each of its expressed terms and provisions, including, but not limited to, those relating to unknown and suspected claims, damages and causes of action.

(c) For avoidance of doubt, the foregoing provisions of this Section 7, including the waivers and releases by Buyer, shall survive the closing and the recordation of the Deed, and shall not be deemed merged into the Deed or other documents and instruments delivered at closing.

Right of Entry. Buyer, its authorized agents, employees and independent 8. contractors (collectively, the "Buyer Parties") are hereby granted the right to enter upon the Property at reasonable times and upon written notice to Seller, for the purpose of making or conducting any inspection, investigation, test or survey reasonably related to the purchase of the Property or the satisfaction of Buyer's contingencies hereunder, subject to the following:

Any damage to the Property shall be promptly repaired by Buyer and the (a) Property restored to the same state as existed prior to such entry.

(b) Buyer shall keep the Property free from liens in connection with any such

entry.

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(d) Buyer Parties shall not perform any invasive testing of the Property without Seller's consent, which consent Seller may withhold in its sole and absolute discretion.

(e) Buyer shall deliver to Seller prior to entry into the Property by Buyer Parties evidence that Buyer maintains a commercial general liability insurance policy in the aggregate amount of not less than \$2,000,000 and that shall name Seller as an additional insured and which shall be primary and noncontributing to any insurance maintained by Seller.

(f) Buyer shall not interfere with Seller's ordinary operations on the Property.

Buyer's obligations under this Section 8 shall survive any termination of this Agreement or Buyer's closing on the purchase of the Property.

9. **Condemnation and Casualty.**

(a) If prior to the Closing Date (as such term is defined below) condemnation proceedings are commenced or threatened in writing against the Property or any part thereof, then at Buyer's option, (i) this Agreement shall terminate, Buyer shall be entitled to the return of the Earnest Money Deposit (to the extent paid) and neither party shall have any further rights or obligations hereunder, or (ii) the closing shall proceed as provided pursuant to this Agreement and Buyer shall receive any condemnation proceeds attributable to condemnation, which proceeds shall not be credited against Buyer's obligation to pay the purchase price.

(b) If prior to the Closing Date the Buildings suffer damage the cost of which would exceed \$100,000 to repair and Seller does not repair such damage prior to closing, then at Buyer's option, (i) this Agreement shall terminate, Buyer shall be entitled to the return of the Earnest Money Deposit (to the extent paid) and neither party shall have any further rights or obligations hereunder, or (ii) the closing shall proceed as provided pursuant to this Agreement and Buyer shall be entitled to a credit against the Purchase Price in the amount of the lesser of \$250,000 or the reasonably estimated costs to repair the damage. If prior to the Closing Date the Buildings suffer damage the cost of which would be equal to or less than \$100,000 to repair and Seller does not repair such damage prior to closing, then the closing shall proceed as provided pursuant to this Agreement and Buyer shall be entitled to a credit against the Purchase Price in the amount of the reasonably estimated costs to repair the damage. If prior to the Closing Date the Buildings suffer damage the cost of which would be equal to or less than \$100,000 to repair and Seller does not repair such damage prior to closing, then the closing shall proceed as provided pursuant to this Agreement and Buyer shall be entitled to a credit against the Purchase Price in the amount of the reasonably estimated costs to repair the damage.

10. Closing, Escrow, Prorates. If the conditions set forth in Section 4, 17 and 18 have been timely satisfied or waived, the purchase and sale shall close on a date determined by Seller but such date shall not be later than December 31, 2021 (such actual date, the "Closing Date"). If the closing shall be on a date prior to December 31, 2021, Seller shall give Buyer not less than one-hundred eighty (180) days' notice of the Closing Date. The purchase of the Property shall be closed in escrow by the Escrow Agent. Prior to closing, each party will deposit

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11. **Deed, Title Insurance.** Upon closing, Seller will convey the Property to Buyer by an Oregon form of statutory bargain and sale deed (the "Deed"). At closing, Seller, at Seller's expense, shall deliver to Buyer a standard title insurance policy (the "Title Policy") in the amount of the purchase price insuring title to be vested in Buyer subject only to the standard printed exceptions and the Permitted Exceptions from the Title Report.

12. **Broker.** Charles Conrow of Norris & Stevens ("Buyer's Broker") has represented Buyer in connection with this Agreement. Buyer shall be responsible for any brokerage fee or payment due to Buyer's Broker in connection with this Agreement (unless the same is paid by Seller's Broker (as such term is defined below)). Mark Carnese of Cushman & Wakefield of Oregon, Inc. ("Seller's Broker") has represented Seller in connection with this Agreement. Seller agrees to pay a brokerage commission to Seller's Broker pursuant to a separate agreement between Seller's Broker and Seller.

13. Other Closing Matters. Buyer's obligation to close is subject to performance by Seller of all of its obligations pursuant to this Agreement and the accuracy of Seller's representations and warranties at the Closing Date. If any of Seller's representations or warranties become inaccurate after the Effective Date, Seller shall provide Buyer written notice of the same and Buyer shall be entitled as its sole and exclusive remedy to either: (i) terminate this Agreement and receive a refund of the Earnest Money Deposit (to the extent paid by Buyer), or (ii) accept the inaccuracy of the representation and warranty and proceed to close the purchase of the Property. Buyer shall be entitled to possession of the Property on the Closing Date.

14. **Default by Seller.** In the event this purchase and sale does not close by reason of any default of Seller, Buyer shall have as its sole and exclusive remedy the right to: (i) terminate this Agreement and receive a return of the Earnest Money Deposit, or (ii) bring a claim for specific performance of this Agreement, provided that Buyer initiates such claim within 90 days of Seller's default. Buyer waives any and all claims for damages against Seller relating to a default by Seller of this Agreement.

15. **Default by Buyer.** In the event that Buyer satisfies the Due Diligence Release Conditions and then fails to close the purchase of the Property in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, Seller may terminate this Agreement by giving written notice of termination to Buyer whereupon the Escrow Agent shall immediately release the Earnest Money Deposit to Seller. The parties have negotiated the amount of the Earnest Money Deposit as a reasonable estimate of the amount of damages to be suffered by Seller in the event of a default by Buyer in

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16. **Oregon Statutory Notice.** THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THIS **INSTRUMENT MAY NOT BE WITHIN A FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT PROTECTING** STRUCTURES. THE PROPERTY IS SUBJECT TO LAND USE LAWS AND **REGULATIONS THAT, IN FARM OR FOREST ZONES, MAY NOT AUTHORIZE** CONSTRUCTION OR SITING OF A RESIDENCE AND THAT LIMIT LAWSUITS AGAINST FARMING OR FOREST PRACTICES, AS DEFINED IN ORS 30,930, IN ALL ZONES. BEFORE SIGNING OR ACCEPTING THIS INSTRUMENT, THE PERSON TRANSFERRING FEE TITLE SHOULD INQUIRE ABOUT THE PERSON'S RIGHTS, IF ANY, UNDER ORS 195.300, 195.301 AND 195.305 TO 195.336 AND SECTIONS 5 TO 11. CHAPTER 424, OREGON LAWS 2007, SECTIONS 2 TO 9 AND 17, CHAPTER 855, OREGON LAWS 2009, AND SECTIONS 2 TO 7, CHAPTER 8, OREGON LAWS 2010. BEFORE SIGNING OR ACCEPTING THIS INSTRUMENT, THE PERSON ACQUIRING FEE TITLE TO THE PROPERTY SHOULD CHECK WITH THE APPROPRIATE CITY OR COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT TO VERIFY THAT THE UNIT OF LAND BEING TRANSFERRED IS A LAWFULLY ESTABLISHED LOT OR PARCEL, AS DEFINED IN ORS 92.010 OR 215.010, TO VERIFY THE APPROVED USES OF THE LOT OR PARCEL, TO VERIFY THE EXISTENCE OF FIRE PROTECTION FOR STRUCTURES AND TO INQUIRE ABOUT THE RIGHTS OF NEIGHBORING PROPERTY OWNERS, IF ANY, UNDER ORS 195.300, 195.301 AND 195.305 TO 195.336 AND SECTIONS 5 TO 11, CHAPTER 424, OREGON LAWS 2007, SECTIONS 2 TO 9 AND 17, CHAPTER 855, OREGON LAWS 2009, AND SECTIONS 2 TO 7, CHAPTER 8, OREGON LAWS 2010.

17. PUC and WUTC Approval Requirement. Seller's obligation to complete the sale of the Property to Buyer is subject to approval by the State of Oregon Public Utility Commission ("OPUC") and the Washington Utility & Transportation ("WUTC"). Seller anticipates receiving such approvals on or before November 30, 2020 (the "Regulatory Approval Deadline Date") and will use its reasonable efforts to obtain such approvals, including submitting for approval no later than thirty (30) days after the Execution Date. In the unexpected and unlikely event that Seller is unable to obtain OPUC and WUTC's approval before the end of the Regulatory Approval Deadline Date and Buyer has satisfied the Due Diligence Release Conditions under Section 4 of this Agreement, then: (i) this Agreement shall terminate without further liability to Seller or Buyer (except as provided in (ii) immediately following and subject to Buyer's obligations), and (ii) Buyer shall be entitled to a return of the Earnest Money Deposit (to the extent paid by Buyer) and Seller shall additionally and promptly reimburse Buyer for all reasonable costs and expenses incurred by Buyer in connection with the proposed purchase of the Property, up to but in no event exceeding Twenty-Five Thousand and No/100 (\$25,000.00).

18. Seller Board Approval. Seller's obligation to complete the sale of the Property to Buyer is subject to approval by Seller's Board of Directors (the "Board"). Seller anticipates receiving such Board approval on or before the end of the Due Diligence Period. In the

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19. General and Miscellaneous Provisions.

(a) **Prior Agreements.** This Agreement is the entire, final and complete agreement of the parties pertaining to the sale and purchase of the Property, and supersedes and replaces all written and oral agreements heretofore made or existing by and between the parties or their representatives insofar as the Property is concerned. Neither party shall be bound by any promises, representations or agreements except as are herein expressly set forth.

(b) **Time is of the Essence**. Time is expressly made of the essence of each provision of this Agreement.

(c) Notices. Any demand, request or notice which either party hereto desires or may be required to make or deliver to the other shall be in writing and shall be deemed given when personally delivered, when delivered by private courier service (such as Federal Express), or three (3) days after being deposited in the United States Mail in certified form, return receipt requested, in each case addressed to the addresses set forth below the names of the parties on the first page hereof, or to such other address as one party may indicate by written notice to the other party. Any notice to Seller shall include a copy to Northwest Natural Gas Company, 222 NW Second Avenue, Portland, Oregon, Attention Stephen Kelly, Associate Counsel, Via Email: stephen.kelly@nwnatural.com.

(d) Attorney Fees and Costs. In the event legal action is commenced in connection with this Agreement, the prevailing party in such action shall be entitled to recover its reasonable attorney fees and costs incurred therein.

(e) **Nonwaiver**. Failure by either party at any time to require performance by the other party of any of the provisions hereof shall in no way affect the party's rights hereunder to enforce the same, nor shall any waiver by the party of the breach hereof be held to be a waiver of any succeeding breach or a waiver of this nonwaiver clause.

(f) No Merger. The obligations set forth in this Agreement shall not merge with the transfer or conveyance of title to any party of the Property but shall remain in effect until fulfilled.

(g) **Amendments**. This Agreement may be amended, modified or extended without new consideration but only by written instrument executed by both parties.

(h) **Governing Law**. This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the state of Oregon.

8 – Agreement For Purchase of Real Property K:\40112\256 (Astoria Sale)\Agreement For Purchase of Real Property (v3.5).doe (i) Severability. If any portion of this Agreement shall be invalid or unenforceable to any extent, the validity of the remaining provisions shall not be affected thereby.

(j) **Counting of Days.** Whenever a time period is set forth in days in this Agreement, the first day from which the designated period of time begins to run shall not be included. The last day of the period so computed shall be included, unless it is a Saturday or legal holiday, including Sunday, in which event the period runs until the end of the next day which is not a Saturday or legal holiday.

(k) Number, Gender and Captions. In construing this Agreement, it is understood that if the context so requires the singular pronoun shall be taken to mean and include the plural, the masculine, the feminine and the neuter, and that generally all grammatical changes shall be made, assumed and implied to individuals and/or corporations and partnerships. All captions and section headings used herein are intended solely for convenience of reference and shall in no way limit any of the provisions of this Agreement.

(1) **Binding Effect.** The covenants, conditions and terms of this Agreement shall extend to and be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the heirs, personal representatives, successors and assigns of the parties hereto.

(m) **Execution in Counterparts.** This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts and by different parties hereto on separate counterparts, each of which counterparts, when so executed and delivered, shall be deemed to be an original and all of which counterparts, taken together, shall constitute but one and the same Agreement.

(n) Assignment. Buyer may not assign its interest in this Agreement except to an entity owned or controlled by Buyer. Buyer shall provide Seller evidence of the same and Buyer shall not be released from its obligations under this Agreement as a result of any assignment.

(o) **Date of Execution**. The date of execution ("Execution Date") and effectiveness of this Agreement shall be deemed to be the last date of execution set forth below the name of the respective parties.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Seller and Buyer execute this Agreement effective as of the Execution Date.

SELLER:

BUYER:

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY, an Oregon corporation

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DATED: Jan 17 , 20,20

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