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**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO FILE WRITTEN COMMENTS**

**(By Friday, October 21, 2016)**

**and**

**NOTICE OF RECESSED OPEN MEETING**

**(To be held at 10:00 a.m., Monday, November 21, 2016)**

Re: Northwest Natural Gas Company 2016 Integrated Resource Plan,  
Docket UG-151776

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) will accept comments on Northwest Natural Gas Company's (NW Natural or Company) integrated resource plan for natural gas service. An "integrated resource plan" (IRP or Plan) describes the lowest cost mix of natural gas supply and conservation designed to meet current and future energy demands at the lowest reasonable cost to the utility and its ratepayers.

The Commission will review NW Natural's integrated resource plan for natural gas service at an open public meeting on November 21, 2016. NW Natural representatives will present the Plan to the Commission and respond to questions from the Commissioners and the public at a recessed open meeting of the Commission to be held **on Monday, November 21, 2016, at 10:00 a.m.** The meeting will be held at the Commission's headquarters, Room 206, Richard Hemstad Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington.

A copy of the IRP is on file in the library at the Commission's offices in Olympia, and on NW Natural's website at [https://www.nwnatural.com/uploadedFiles/2016\\_IRP.pdf](https://www.nwnatural.com/uploadedFiles/2016_IRP.pdf). Requests for copies of the Plan should be directed to NW Natural.

**WRITTEN COMMENTS**

Written comments must be filed with the Commission no later than **5:00 p.m., October 21, 2016**. The Commission requests that comments be provided in electronic format to enhance public access, for ease of providing comments, to reduce the need for paper copies, and to facilitate quotations from the comments. Comments may be submitted via the Commission's Web portal at [www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing](http://www.utc.wa.gov/e-filing) or by electronic mail to the Commission's Records Center at [records@utc.wa.gov](mailto:records@utc.wa.gov). Please include:

- The docket number of this proceeding (UG-151776).
- The commenting party's name.
- The title and date of the comment or comments.

An alternative method for submitting comments may be by mailing or delivering an electronic copy to the Commission's Records Center on a 3 ½ inch, IBM-formatted, high-density disk, in .pdf Adobe Acrobat format or in Word 97 or later format, a flash drive, or CD. Include all of the information requested above. The Commission will post on its web site all comments that are provided in electronic format. The web site is located at the following URL address: <http://www.utc.wa.gov/>. Documents will be posted within 24 hours of receipt.

Comments delivered by mail or courier should be addressed to:

Steven V. King, Executive Director and Secretary  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
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Please refer to Docket UG-151776 to ensure that you are placed on the appropriate service list.

The Commission's teleconference bridge line will be available for the workshop. The Commission prefers and recommends that interested persons participate in person and share ideas in a workshop setting. However, if this imposes a hardship, interested persons may participate at the workshop via the Commission's teleconference bridge at **(360) 664-3846**. The conference bridge, however, is limited to 22 access lines.

The IRP is a product of NW Natural filed under requirements in WAC 480-90-238. Questions for NW Natural can be directed to Tamy Linver by email at [tsl@nwnatural.com](mailto:tsl@nwnatural.com) or by calling

(503) 226-4211, extension 2430. Questions for Commission staff may be addressed to Deborah Reynolds by email at [dreynold@utc.wa.gov](mailto:dreynold@utc.wa.gov) or by calling (360) 664-1255. When inquiring about the subject of this Notice, please refer to Docket UG-151776.

STEVEN V. KING  
Executive Director and Secretary