

[Service Date October 26, 2007]

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND)	DOCKET UG-070332
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,)	
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Complainant,)	
)	NOTICE OF PREHEARING
v.)	CONFERENCE
)	(Set for November 20, 2007,
CASCADE NATURAL GAS)	2:30 p.m.)
CORPORATION,)	
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Respondent.)	
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In re Notification of Contract and)	DOCKET UG-070639
Arrangement between)	
)	
CASCADE NATURAL GAS)	
CORPORATION,)	NOTICE OF PREHARING
)	CONFERENCE
And its subsidiary)	(Set for November 20, 2007,
)	2:30 p.m.)
CGC ENERGY, INC.)	
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.....)	

- 1 Cascade Natural Gas Corporation (Cascade) on February 12, 2007, filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) in Docket UG-070332 tariff revisions in response to Order 03 in Cost Management Services, Inc.'s (CMS') complaint proceeding in Docket UG-061256. The tariff revisions establish schedules for retail gas sales to non-core customers and associated services.

- 2 Cascade on April 2, 2007, filed with the Commission in Docket UG-070639 a notice that it intends to make retail gas sales to non-core customers through a reactivated affiliate, CGC Energy, Inc.

3 The Commission consolidated these dockets for consideration in orders entered on
October 12, 2007. *See* Order 03—Order Accepting CMS’s Petition for Interlocutory
Review; Denying Petition; Order Consolidating Docket in Docket UG-070332 and
Order 01—Order Consolidating Docket UG-070639. The Orders state that the
Commission will conduct a prehearing conference to establish the parties to the
proceeding, consider any other petitions to intervene and establish a procedural
schedule. This notice schedules a prehearing conference for the consolidated
proceedings

4 **STATUTORY AUTHORITY:** The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter
under RCW Title 80, and has legal authority to regulate gas companies. The statutes
that apply to this matter include RCW 80.01, RCW 80.04, and RCW 80.28 relating to
rates, including but not limited to RCW 80.01.040, RCW 80.04.020, RCW 80.28.010,
RCW 80.28.050, RCW 80.28.090, and RCW 80.28.100. The rules that apply to this
matter include those within WAC 480-90, relating to the operations of gas companies.

5 The Commission will hear this matter under the Administrative Procedure Act (APA),
particularly Part IV of RCW 34.05 relating to adjudications. The provisions of the
APA that relate to this proceeding include, but are not limited to RCW 34.05.413,
RCW 34.05.422, RCW 34.05.431, RCW 34.05.440, RCW 34.05.449, and RCW
34.05.452. The Commission will also follow its procedural rules in WAC 480-07 in
this proceeding.

6 **THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That the Commission will hold a
prehearing conference in this matter at 2:30 p.m., on Tuesday, November 20,
2007, in the Commission's Hearing Room, Second Floor, Richard Hemstad
Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington.** If you are
unable to attend the prehearing conference in person, you may attend via the
Commission’s teleconference bridge line, **360-664-3846**. Please appear on the
teleconference bridge five minutes before the conference is scheduled to begin.

7 The purpose of the prehearing conference is to consider requests for intervention,
resolve scheduling matters including establishing dates for distributing evidence and
workpapers, identify the issues in the proceeding and determine other matters to
assist the Commission in resolving the matter, as listed in WAC 480-07-430.

8 **INTERVENTION:** Persons who wish to intervene should file a petition to intervene in writing at least three business days before the date of the prehearing conference. *See WAC 480-07-355(a)*. The Commission will consider oral petitions to intervene during the conference, but strongly prefers written petitions to intervene. Party representatives must file a notice of appearance with the Commission no later than the business day before the conference. *See WAC 480-07-345(2)*. If any party or witness needs an interpreter or other assistance, they should fill out the form attached to this notice and return it to the Commission. The Commission will set the time and place for any evidentiary hearings at the prehearing conference, on the record of a later conference or hearing session, or by later written notice.

9 **THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE that any party who fails to attend or participate in the prehearing conference set by this Notice, or any other stage of this proceeding, may be held in default under RCW 34.05.440. The Commission specifically invokes the sanction provisions of WAC 480-07-450 which allow the Commission to seek penalties for a party in default.**

10 The names and mailing addresses of all known parties and their known representatives are as follows:

Complainant:	Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W. P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250
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Representative:	Gregory J. Trautman Assistant Attorney General 1400 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W. P.O. Box 40128 Olympia, WA 98504-0128 (360) 664-1187 gtrautma@utc.wa.gov
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- 11 Administrative Law Judge Theodora M. Mace, from the Commission's Administrative Law Division, will preside during this proceeding.
- 12 The Attorney General has designated Simon ffitch of the Office of the Public Counsel to represent the public. You may use the Commission's address, shown below, for contacting Public Counsel, or you may contact Public Counsel directly by writing or calling the address or telephone number listed below.
- 13 The Commission will give parties notice of any other procedural phase of the proceeding in writing or on the record, as appropriate during this proceeding.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective October 26, 2007.

WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAROLE J. WASHBURN
Executive Secretary

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Hearing facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities. Smoking is prohibited. If limited English-speaking, hearing-impaired parties or witnesses are involved in a hearing and need an interpreter, a qualified interpreter will be appointed at no cost to the party or witness.

If you need an interpreter, or have other special needs, please fill out this form and return it to Washington State Utilities and Transportation Commission, Attention: Carole J. Washburn, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW, P. O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504-7250. **(PLEASE SUPPLY ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION)**

Docket : _____

Case Name: _____

Hearing Date: _____ Hearing Location: _____

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Language: _____

Hearing Impaired (Yes) _____ (No) _____

Do you need a certified sign language interpreter:

Visual _____ Tactile _____

Other type of assistance needed: _____

English-speaking person who can be contacted if there are questions:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone No.: (____) _____