BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, Complainant, v. CASCADE NATURAL GAS CO., Respondent.	DOCKET PG-230800 JOINT MOTION TO MODIFY PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

I. INTRODUCTION

1 Pursuant to WAC 480-07-375(1)(b), the regulatory staff (Staff) of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission), Cascade Natural Gas Corporation (Cascade), and Sapphire Gas Solutions LLC (Sapphire), together the parties, move to amend the procedural schedule established by Order 02 in this docket. Specifically, the parties seek to amend the procedural schedule due to delays in settlement conferences and previously unknown scheduling conflicts with key dates, namely the date of the evidentiary hearing. The proposed schedule is attached to this motion as Exhibit A.

2 This motion is being jointly filed by all parties.

II. RELIEF REQUESTED

3 The parties request that the Commission modify the procedural schedule in this docket in accordance with Exhibit A.

VI. ARGUMENT

4 The Commission's procedural rules allow parties to move for "commission action in the context of an adjudicative proceeding."[1] This action can include the modification of "the procedural schedule in a proceeding."[2]

5 All parties to this matter agree to adjusting the procedural schedule. The proposed agreed-upon procedural schedule is attached herein at Exhibit A. While the parties have worked diligently to keep this matter on track, unexpected personal matters delayed settlement discussions which lead the parties to now request adjustments to the procedural schedule.

6 No party will be prejudiced by the modification, and, indeed, these modifications are jointly offered by all the parties. Indeed, modification specifically to the hearing date is necessary to allow Staff to attend the rescheduled National Conference for the National Association of Pipeline Safety Representatives, which is a requirement of Pipeline Safety's federal certification.

7 Nor would the modification prejudice the Commission. While the parties are requesting a new hearing date, this hearing date is later in the year. The parties are aware of the several other Commission hearings scheduled for the fall. Pushing this hearing into December provides some break in a hectic fall.

[1] WAC 480-07-375(1).
[2] WAC 480-07-375(1)(b).

VII. CONCLUSION

The joint parties request that the Commission grant its motion and modify the procedural schedule as outlined in Exhibit A.

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