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NOTICE OF RECESSED OPEN MEETING (Set for Thursday, November 16, 2017, at 1:30 p.m.)

Re: Presentation of Natural Gas Hedging Plans, Dockets UG-171044 (Avista Corporation), UG-171052 (Northwest Natural Gas Company), UG-171054 (Puget Sound Energy), and UG-171045 (Cascade Natural Gas Company).

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

On March 13, 2017, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) issued its Policy and Interpretive Statement on Local Distribution Companies' Natural Gas Hedging Practices in Docket UG-132019. The Policy Statement directed each company to submit, as part of its 2017 Purchased Gas Adjustment filing, a preliminary hedging plan outlining the company's intended path to implementing risk-responsive hedging strategies.

In Dockets UG-171044, UG-171052, UG-171054, and UG-171045, Avista Corporation (Avista), Northwest Natural Gas Company (NW Natural), Puget Sound Energy (PSE), and Cascade Natural Gas Company (Cascade) filed their respective preliminary hedging plans.

The Commission has scheduled a Recessed Open Meeting to allow Avista, NW Natural, PSE and Cascade to present their hedging plans, articulate their hedging objectives, and communicate their approach to implementing risk-responsive hedging strategies. Interested persons are invited to attend the Recessed Open Meeting on **Thursday, November 16, 2017**, beginning at 1:30 p.m., in Room 206, Richard Hemstad Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington.

Interested Persons may listen to the presentation and participation in the discussion telephonically by calling the Commission's teleconference bridge line at (360) 664-3846 at the time of the recessed open meeting.

If you have questions regarding this docket, you may contact staff lead, Chris McGuire, at (360) 664-1310, or by email at cmcguire@utc.wa.gov.

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