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Ms. Carole J. Washburn, Executive Secretary  
Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission  
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Dear Ms. Washburn:

In accordance with the terms of the Commission's decision in the Fourth Supplemental Order in Docket No. UG-951415, Cascade Natural Gas Corporation ("Cascade") encloses for filing the following tariff sheets containing a requested effective date of August 1, 2000:

**Seventy-Sixth Rev. Sheet No. 596, Canceling Seventy-Fifth Rev. Sheet No. 596  
Twenty-First Revision Sheet No. 598, Canceling Twentieth Revision Sheet No. 598**

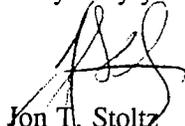
This filing establishes a temporary technical adjustment designed to amortize, over a four-year period, the remaining \$16 million (including accrued interest) of total gas cost account deferrals that were held by the Company per the terms of the agreement. Additionally, this filing removes the existing revenue credit, which per the terms of that same agreement, expires on August 1, 2000.

Attached in support of this filing is Exhibit 1. The exhibit contains information developing the level of the per therm change necessary to amortize the deferral account balances. The proposed rate adjustment is a per therm decrease of \$.02115 for all core customers. Exhibit 1 also incorporates the removal of the existing revenue credit of \$.00139 from Rate Schedule 598. The combined effect of these revisions is shown on pages 3 through 5 of the exhibit.

Cascade, under Advice No. CNG W00-06-01, has also filed its Purchased Gas Adjustment Application. The combined effects of the two filings on the monthly bill of a residential customer with consumption of 65 therms will be a net increase of \$5.62 or 12.91%. For small commercial customers, the increase in the monthly bill for consumption of 346 therms will be \$29.95 or 14.70%. Large volume customers will experience average increases of 17.12% while large volume interruptible industrial customers will experience an average increase of 17.99% depending on monthly volumes consumed.

Please direct any questions regarding this filing to Katherine Barnard.

Very truly yours,

  
Jon T. Stoltz  
Senior Vice President  
Planning, Regulatory & Consumer Affairs

Attachments

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Before the  
WASHINGTON UTILITIES & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

**UG-951415 COMPLIANCE  
TEMPORARY TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENT  
APPLICATION**

**Cascade Natural Gas Corporation**

**June 27, 2000**

CASCADE NATURAL GAS CORPORATION  
 UG-951415 COMPLIANCE TEMPORARY TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENT APPLICATION  
 CALCULATION OF PER THERM RATES TO AMORTIZE DEFERRED ACCOUNTS

Line No.	Description (a)	Account Balance @ 05-31-00 (b)	Interest & Amort. Thru 7/31/2000 (c)	Revenue Sensitive Costs (d)	Interest Thru Amort. (e)	Amount (f)	TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENT RATES			Proposed, Period of Amortization (k)	Item (l)
							Firm (g)	Interupt. (h)	CORE		
1	Account # 1910-G10031 - CORE	\$ (3,842,323)	\$ (43,133)	\$ (180,017)	\$ (536,623)	\$ (4,602,096)				4 Year	1/1/94 Commodity Changes Core Mkt Amortization
2	Divide by 922,489,818						(\$0.00499)	(\$0.00499)			
3	Account # 1910-G10036 - CORE	\$ (761,377)	\$ (8,547)	\$ (35,671)	\$ (106,335)	\$ (911,930)				4 Year	Net Capacity Release Amount Core Mkt Amortization
4	Divide by 922,489,818						(\$0.00099)	(\$0.00099)			
5	Account # 1910-G10045 - CORE	\$ (11,684,149)	\$ (131,164)	\$ (547,416)	\$ (1,631,821)	\$ (13,994,549)				4 Year	11/1/95 Core Demand Change Core Mkt Amortization
6	Divide by 922,489,818						(\$0.01517)	(\$0.01517)			
7	TOTAL	\$ (16,287,848)	\$ (182,844)	\$ (763,104)	\$ (2,274,778)	\$ (19,508,574)	\$ (0.02115)	\$ (0.02115)			
8	TOTAL RATE SCHEDULE NO. 599 ADJUSTMENT						(\$0.02115)	(\$0.02115)			

Cascade Natural Gas Corporation  
 State of Washington

Description (a)	Proposed Temporary Rate Change R/S 596 (b)	Reversal of Gen. Revision of Rate Sched. Charges R/S 598 (c)	Combined Rate Change (d)
<b>CORE MARKET RATE SCHEDULES</b>			
Residential	\$ (0.02115)	0.00139	\$ (0.01976)
Commercial	\$ (0.02115)	0.00139	\$ (0.01976)
Industrial Firm	\$ (0.02115)	0.00139	\$ (0.01976)
Interruptible	\$ (0.02115)	0.00139	\$ (0.01976)

Cascade Natural Gas Corporation  
 UG-951415 COMPLIANCE TEMPORARY TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENT APPLICATION  
 BASED UPON THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED 6/30/99  
 State of Washington

Line No.	Description (a)	Rate Schedule (b)	Average # of Bills (c)	Actual Therms Sold (d)	Actual Revenue (e)	Restated Revenue *c (f)	Per Therm Change (g)	Amount of Change (h)	Percent Change (i)
<b>CORE MARKET RATE SCHEDULES</b>									
<b>Residential</b>									
1	Dry Out	502	740	683573	384,830	421,505	(0.01976)	(13,507)	-3.20%
2	General Service	503	118,585	92,967,556	57,123,483	62,264,592	(0.01976)	(1,837,039)	-2.95%
3	Compressed Natural Gas	512	0	0	0	0	(0.01976)	0	0.00%
4	Gas A/C	541	83	131162	73,271	80,966	(0.01976)	(2,592)	-3.20%
5	Unbilled at 6/30/99			490,738	266,947	290,987	(0.01976)	(9,697)	0.00%
6	Less Unbilled at 6/30/98			(1,196,214)	(650,705)	(709,304)	(0.01976)	23,637	-3.33%
7	<b>Total Residential</b>		119,408	93,076,815	57,197,826	62,348,746		(1,839,198)	-2.95%
<b>Commercial</b>									
8	Dry Out	502	49	159684	81,979	90,010	(0.01976)	(3,155)	-3.51%
9	General Service	504	19,535	72,723,650	39,466,744	43,456,898	(0.01976)	(1,437,019)	-3.31%
10	Large Volume	511	78	9600973	4,305,814	4,919,424	(0.01976)	(189,715)	-3.86%
11	Compressed Natural Gas	512	2	93,162	49,068	54,412	(0.01976)	(1,841)	-3.38%
12	Gas A/C	541	43	172746	92,491	102,332	(0.01976)	(3,413)	-3.34%
13	Unbilled at 6/30/99			590,645	319,010	352,559	(0.01976)	(11,671)	-3.31%
14	Less Unbilled at 6/30/98			(1,439,745)	(723,514)	(799,604)	(0.01976)	28,449	-3.56%
15	Less Company Use		(25)	(99,939)	(56,210)	(62,122)	(0.01976)	1,975	-3.18%
16	<b>Total Commercial</b>		19,682	81,801,176	43,535,381	48,113,908		(1,616,391)	-3.36%
<b>Industrial Firm</b>									
17	Dry Out	502	0	0	0	0	(0.01976)	0	
18	General Service	505	327	10,866,794	4,884,736	5,502,856	(0.01976)	(214,728)	-3.90%
19	Large Volume	511	20	3291641	1,446,405	1,647,471	(0.01976)	(65,043)	-3.95%
20	Compressed Natural Gas	512	1	5655	3,062	3,377	(0.01976)	(112)	-3.31%
21	<b>Total Industrial Firm</b>		348	14,164,090	6,334,203	7,153,704		(279,882)	-3.91%
<b>Industrial Interruptible</b>									
22	General	570	8	2,712,414	988,481	1,146,987	(0.01976)	(53,597)	-4.67%
23	Accounting Adjustment			0	0	0	(0.01976)	0	0.00%
24	Less Unbilled Adjustment			0	0	0	(0.01976)	0	0.00%
23	<b>Total Industrial Inter.</b>		8	2,712,414	988,481	1,146,987		(53,597)	-4.67%
<b>Institutional Interruptible</b>									
24	General	570	5	932491	354,269	437,224	(0.01976)	(18,426)	-4.21%
25	Institutional	577	6	961308	573,468	629,535	(0.01976)	(18,995)	-3.02%
26	<b>Total Institut. Interr.</b>		11	1,893,799	927,737	1,066,759		(37,421)	-3.51%
27	<b>Subtotal Core</b>		139,457	193,648,294	108,983,628	119,830,103		(3,826,490)	-3.19%
<b>NONCORE MARKET RATE SCHEDULES</b>									
28	Gas Supply	681,682,684		56,031,438	10,066,899	10,066,899	*a		
29	Gas Supply - Cust.Owned	683		781,031,094	11,629,881	11,629,881			
30	Transportation	685-686		116,511,387	2,834,639	2,834,639	*a		0.00%
<b>Distribution</b>									
31	General	663	113	94,285,892	10,278,382	8,435,528	-	0	0.00%
32	Large Volume	664	18	190,394,768	4,845,771	4,294,902	-	0	0.00%
33	Elec.Gen.Interr. *a	678	1	10,293,582	274,324	274,324			
34	Special Contracts	901	14	553790496	9,006,067	9,006,067			
35	Subtotal Noncore		146	848,764,738	48,935,964	46,542,240			
36	<b>TOTAL CORE AND NONCORE</b>		139,603	1,042,413,032	157,919,592	166,372,343		(3,826,490)	-2.30%
<b>ADJUSTMENTS</b>									
37	B & O Tax				4,918,065	4,918,065			
38	Billing/Technical Adjustments				611,081	611,081			
39	Transportation				0	0			
40	<b>Total Adjustments</b>			0	5,529,146	5,529,146			
41	<b>ADJUSTED CORE &amp; NONCORE TOTALS</b>				163,448,738	171,901,489			
42	Adjustments to Gas Transportation Revenue					0			
43	<b>TOTAL THERMS &amp; REVENUE</b>			1,042,413,032	163,448,738	171,901,489		(3,826,490)	-2.23%

\*a) Gas cost revenues billed on R/S 678 are moved to Lines #28 and #30 leaving only distribution revenues on R/S 678.

\*b) Amount shown represents therms transported under Cascade's agreements with Northwest Pipeline.

\*c) Core and R/S 663 & 664 revenues are restated at base rates at 12/1/99

Note: Rates in Column (g) are from Exhibit 1, Page 2 of 5

**Cascade Natural Gas Corporation**  
**TYPICAL MONTHLY THERM USAGE AND COST BY CLASS**  
**FOR TWELVE MONTHS ENDED 6/30/99**  
**State of Washington**

<u>Line No.</u>	<u>Description</u> (a)	<u>Therm Sales</u> (b)	<u>Revenue at 12/1/99 Rates</u> (c)	<u>Per Therm Rate Change</u> (d)	<u>Amount of Change</u> (f)	<u>Percent Change</u> (g)
1	Residential	93,076,815	62,348,746	\$ (0.01976)	(1,839,198)	-2.95%
2	Commercial	81,801,176	48,113,908	\$ (0.01976)	(1,616,391)	-3.36%
3	Industrial Firm	14,164,090	7,153,704	\$ (0.01976)	(279,882)	-3.91%
4	Interruptible	4,606,213	2,213,745	\$ (0.01976)	(91,019)	-4.11%
5	TOTAL	<u>1,042,413,032</u>	<u>\$141,840,925</u>		<u>(\$3,826,490)</u>	

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**TYPICAL MONTHLY THERM USAGE AND COST BY CLASS**  
**FOR TWELVE MONTHS ENDED 6/30/99**  
**State of Washington**

Line No.	Description (a)	Typical Monthly Therm Use (b)	Avg Bill @ 12/1/99 Rates (c)	Present Filing Changes (d)	Proposed Typical Bill (e)	Percent Change (g)
1	Residential	65	\$43.51	(\$1.28)	\$42.23	-2.95%
2	Commercial	346	\$203.71	(\$6.84)	\$196.87	-3.36%
3	Industrial Firm	N/A*	\$0.50506	(\$0.01976)	\$0.48530	-3.91%
4	Interruptible	N/A*	\$0.48060	(\$0.01976)	\$0.46084	-4.11%

\* The large variation among customers in the Industrial, Interruptible, and Noncore customer classes renders average consumption numbers meaningless, therefore only per therm figures have been listed.

**Cascade Natural Gas Corporation**

**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC**

**Washington Service Area**

Cascade Natural Gas Corporation is on this date filing with the Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission at Olympia, Washington, its Purchase Gas Adjustment Application (CNG\W00-06-01) and its UG-951415 Compliance Temporary Technical Adjustment Application (CNG\W00-06-02). These applications propose revisions to Rate Schedule Nos. 502, 503, 504, 505, 511, 512, 541, 570, 577, 596 and 598.

The adjustments proposed to Rate Schedule Nos. 502, 503, 504, 505, 511, 512, 541, 570, and 577 are designed to reflect the cost of gas in the Company's current gas supply portfolio. The proposed change reflects the increase in prices paid to the natural gas producers by Cascade on behalf of its core customers. The overall impact of this rate activity is to increase Residential, Commercial, and Core Industrial rates by \$.10623 per therm.

Rate Schedule No. 596 reflects rate adjustments designed to amortize, over a four-year period, the remaining \$16 million (including accrued interest) of total gas cost account deferrals that were held by the Company per the terms of the Settlement Agreement in Docket UG-951415.

Adjustments to Rate Schedule No. 598 reflect the removal of the revenue credit that expires on August 1, 2000 per the terms of that same settlement agreement. The net impact of this rate activity is to decrease rates by \$.01976 per therm.

The overall effect of these proposed rate adjustments on the monthly bill of a residential customer with consumption of 65 therms will be a net increase of \$5.62 or 12.91%. For small commercial customers, the increase in the monthly bill for consumption of 346 therms will be \$29.95 or 14.70%. Large volume customers will experience average increases of 17.12% while large volume interruptible industrial customers will experience an average increase of 17.99% depending on monthly volumes consumed.

By: Jon T. Stoltz  
Senior Vice President  
Planning, Regulatory & Consumer Affairs

Date: June 27, 2000

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CASCADE NATURAL GAS CORPORATION

TEMPORARY TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENT  
SCHEDULE NO. 596

(T)

**APPLICABLE:**

This adjustment applies to gas service rendered by the Company under the tariff of which this schedule is a part for service on and after the effective date hereof and shall be in addition to all rates and charges specified in this tariff.

**MONTHLY RATES AND MINIMUM BILLS:**

Each of the charges, except Demand and Customer Service Charges, of Schedule No. 503 are to be decreased by \$0.02115 (R) per therm or an appropriate multiple thereof.

Each of the charges, except Demand and Customer Service Charges, of Schedule Nos. 502, 504, 512 and 541 are to be (R) decreased by \$0.02115 per therm or an appropriate multiple thereof.

Each of the charges, except Demand and Customer Service Charges, of Schedule Nos. 505 and 511 are to be decreased by (R) \$0.02115 per therm or an appropriate multiple thereof.

Each of the charges of Schedule Nos. 570 and 577 are to be decreased by \$0.02115 per therm or an appropriate multiple (R) thereof.

**SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

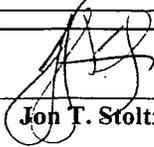
The rates named herein are subject to increases set forth in Schedule No. 500.

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CASCADE NATURAL GAS CORPORATION

SCHEDULE NO. 598  
GENERAL REVISION OF RATE SCHEDULE CHARGES

**APPLICABLE:**

To all schedules for gas service of tariff WN U-3

**MONTHLY RATES, MINIMUM BILLS AND OTHER CHARGES:**

The changes specified in this schedule are part of the Company's 1996 Rate Case Settlement in WUTC Docket No. UG-951415, et al.

Each of the charges specified in the schedules for gas service hereinafter listed shall be adjusted by the following per therm increase or (decrease) or appropriate multiple thereof:

<u>Rate Schedule</u>	<u>Per Therm Decrease</u>	
Schedule 502	(\$0.00000)	(I)
Schedule 503	(\$0.00000)	
Schedule 504	(\$0.00000)	
Schedule 505	(\$0.00000)	
Schedule 511	(\$0.00000)	
Schedule 512	(\$0.00000)	
Schedule 541	(\$0.00000)	
Schedule 570	(\$0.00000)	
Schedule 577	(\$0.00000)	(I)

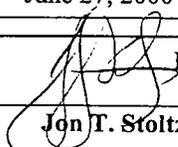
**GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS:**

This schedule is subject to the Rules and Regulations contained in this tariff and to those prescribed by regulatory authorities.

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CASCADE NATURAL GAS CORPORATION

TEMPORARY TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENT  
SCHEDULE NO. 596

(T)

**APPLICABLE:**

This adjustment applies to gas service rendered by the Company under the tariff of which this schedule is a part for service on and after the effective date hereof and shall be in addition to all rates and charges specified in this tariff.

**MONTHLY RATES AND MINIMUM BILLS:**

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Each of the charges, except Demand and Customer Service Charges, of Schedule Nos. 505 and 511 are to be decreased by (R) \$0.02115 per therm or an appropriate multiple thereof.

Each of the charges of Schedule Nos. 570 and 577 are to be decreased by \$0.02115 per therm or an appropriate multiple (R) thereof.

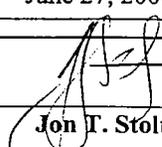
**SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

The rates named herein are subject to increases set forth in Schedule No. 500.

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SCHEDULE NO. 598  
GENERAL REVISION OF RATE SCHEDULE CHARGES

**APPLICABLE:**

To all schedules for gas service of tariff WN U-3

**MONTHLY RATES, MINIMUM BILLS AND OTHER CHARGES:**

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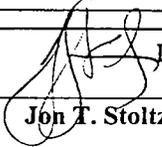
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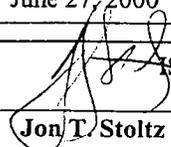
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SCHEDULE NO. 598  
GENERAL REVISION OF RATE SCHEDULE CHARGES

APPLICABLE:

To all schedules for gas service of tariff WN U-3

MONTHLY RATES, MINIMUM BILLS AND OTHER CHARGES:

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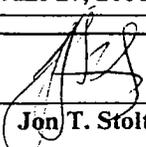
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