

**BEFORE THE
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS
COMPANY,

Respondent.

Docket No. UG-181053

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS
COMPANY'S MOTION TO
MODIFY PROCEDURAL
SCHEDULE

1 In accordance with WAC 480-07-375, Northwest Natural Gas Company (“NW Natural”) submits to Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (“Commission”) this motion to modify the procedural schedule in the above-captioned docket to accommodate partial settlement. NW Natural has conferred with the other parties to this proceeding regarding this motion, and all parties support this motion.

2 The parties in this proceeding have reached an agreement in principle for a partial, all-party settlement among NW Natural, Staff of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, the Alliance of Western Energy Consumers, and The Energy Project (Settling Parties). The Settling Parties have been informed by the Public Counsel Unit of the Washington State Attorney General’s Office (Public Counsel) that it may join the settlement but does not yet have approval to do so. The settlement in principle addresses all of the issues presented in this case except decoupling.

3 The Settling Parties have also reached a partial, multi-party settlement in principle on the issue of decoupling. This issue remains contested by Public Counsel and will be litigated and presented to the Commission for resolution.

4 Accordingly, NW Natural files this Motion to amend the procedural schedule as specified in the proposed post-settlement procedural schedule negotiated by the Parties, which is attached to this Motion.

Respectfully submitted this 15th day of May, 2019.

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