## BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

#### WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Complainant,

v.

CASCADE NATURAL GAS CO.,

Respondent.

DOCKET UG-240008

# MICHAEL P. GORMAN ON BEHALF OF THE WASHINGTON STATE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL PUBLIC COUNSEL UNIT

#### **EXHIBIT MPG-7**

Consensus Analysts' Growth Rates

September 25, 2024

### **Cascade Natural Gas Corporation**

#### **Consensus Analysts' Growth Rates**

		Zacks		MI		Yahoo! Finance		Average of
		Estimated	Number of	Estimated	Number of	Estimated	Number of	Growth
<u>Line</u>	<u>Company</u>	Growth %1	<b>Estimates</b>	Growth %2	<b>Estimates</b>	Growth %3	<b>Estimates</b>	<u>Rates</u>
		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
1	Atmos Energy Corporation	7.00%	N/A	7.00%	1	7.40%	N/A	7.13%
2	NiSource Inc.	6.00%	N/A	7.17%	3	7.50%	N/A	6.89%
3	Northwest Natural Holding Company	N/A	N/A	4.40%	5	2.80%	N/A	3.60%
4	ONE Gas, Inc.	5.00%	N/A	3.00%	2	5.00%	N/A	4.33%
5	Spire Inc.	5.00%	N/A	6.45%	3	6.36%	N/A	5.94%
6	Average	5.75%	N/A	5.60%	3	5.81%	N/A	5.58%

#### Sources:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Zacks, http://www.zacks.com/, downloaded on August 16, 2024.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> S&P Global Market Intelligence, https://platform.mi.spglobal.com, downloaded on August 16, 2024.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Yahoo! Finance, https://finance.yahoo.com/, downloaded on August 16, 2024.