

December 22, 2003

To Interested Parties:

**Subject: Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity: UG-031630**

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) received an application from Cascade Natural Gas Corporation (“Cascade” or “Company”) for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to operate a gas plant for hire. The application proposes to extend Cascade’s service area boundary into West Richland, Benton County, Washington. The application includes the City of west Richland and portions of Richland. Copies of maps identifying the proposed service areas and legal descriptions can be obtained from Cascade or the Commission.

This application will be considered in a future Commission Open Meeting. The Commission is requesting that comments and concerns be filed in writing to the address listed above no later than January 16, 2004. Additional information may be obtained by contacting Dr. Yohannes Mariam, at (360) 664-1316 or by e-mail: [ymariam@wuct.wa.gov](mailto:ymariam@wuct.wa.gov).

Sincerely,

Carole J. Washburn  
Executive Secretary