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Via Electronic and United States Mail

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Steven V. King, Executive Director and Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. S.W. P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

RE: In the Matter of the Petition of Cascade Natural Gas Corporation for an Accounting Order Authorizing Deferred Accounting Treatment of Expenses Relating to the MAOP Determination and Validation Plan Docket UG-160787

Dear Mr. King:

On June 1, 2016, Cascade Natural Gas Corporation filed a petition seeking an order authorizing deferred accounting treatment for costs incurred to implement the company's Maximum Allowable Operating Pressure (MAOP) Determination and Validation Plan.

This letter is to inform the Commission that Staff's review will require more than the twenty days allowed by WAC 480-07-370(1)(c)(iv). Once Staff has completed its review, it intends to present its response and/or recommendation at a regularly-scheduled open meeting.

Please contact me at 360-664-1225 or <u>jbeattie@utc.wa.gov</u> with questions.

Sincerely,

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cc: Parties