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Re: Schedule 594, Decoupling Mechanism Adjustment

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Cascade Natural Gas Corporation (“Cascade”) hereby encloses for filing the following proposed tariff sheet containing a requested effective date of November 1, 2020:

Fourth Revision Sheet No. 594 Canceling Third Revision Sheet No. 594

The purpose of this filing is to amortize the difference between authorized revenues and actual revenues for the timeframe of January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019, which is consistent with the Company’s Rule 21, Decoupling Mechanism, and the terms adopted by Order No. 04 in UG-152286.

Rule 21, Decoupling Mechanism, was approved in the Company’s rate case in Docket UG-152286 and allows Cascade to defer the difference between billed revenue and the authorized margin per customer, which is a different amount per customer class, per month. Billed and authorized revenue differ for a number of reasons including the installation of conservation measures, weather variations, and different gas usage patterns. The deferred balance is then amortized through the Schedule 594 adjustment rate that becomes effective concurrently with the Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA).

Below is a table summarizing the proposed changes reflected in this filing:

Service	Sch. No.	Rate Change	Proposed Rate Per Therm	Percent Change
Residential	503	(\$0.02300)	(\$0.00910)	(2.25%)
Commercial	504	(\$0.02495)	(\$0.02414)	(2.78%)

Industrial	505	(\$0.00832)	(\$0.01417)	(1.26%)
Industrial Lg Vol	511	\$0.00046	(\$0.01908)	0.07%
Interruptible	570	(\$0.00707)	\$0.01199	(1.14%)

The changes made to Schedule 594 result in an overall rate decrease of 2 percent or a decrease in annual revenue change reflected in this filing of \$5,251,254. For the average residential customer using 56 therms, the changes made herein result in an average monthly decrease of \$1.29. For the average commercial customer using 290 therms per year, these changes result in an average decrease of \$7.23.

The proposed change will affect all of Cascade's Washington customers except transportation only customers. Cascade serves approximately 193,657 residential, 26,658 commercial and 480 industrial customers in the state of Washington.

As this proposed rate is a decrease, no adjustment for earnings sharing under UG-152286 is required.

If you have any questions, please call me at (509) 734-4593.

Sincerely,

/s/ Michael Parvinen

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NEW, CNGC Advice W20-09-03 Exh A, 09-15-2020.pdf
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