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Re: Washington Energy Assistance Fund (WEAF) Program True-Up & Tariff Revisions

Cascade Natural Gas Corporation (Cascade or the Company) herewith files the following revisions to its Tariff, WN U-3, stated to become effective with service on and after November 1, 2021:

- Fifth Revision Sheet No. 593 Canceling Fourth Revision Sheet No. 593
- Fourth Revision of Sheet No. 303-A Canceling Third Revision of Sheet No. 303-A

SCHEDULE 593 - WEAF FUND PROGRAM COST RECOVERY

The purpose of the revisions to the Company's Schedule 593, Washington Energy Assistance Fund (WEAF) Program Cost Recovery, is to true-up the rates thereby collecting the budgeted amount for the 2021-2022 program year. Included in this filing are Attachments A, B and C. Attachment A shows program revenues and expenditures for the program year including projected revenues and expenses for the final month of the program year. Attachment B shows how the changes to the Schedule 593 surcharges are derived. Attachment C presents the proposed WEAF rate changes and revenue impacts by rate schedule.

Schedule 593 is herewith revised to collect \$1,327,160 which, in addition to fund balance carryover funding, should provide \$1,467,400 for the 2021-2022 program year. There is also a "soft cap" budget limit up to \$1,531,200. These budget provisions were authorized per Order No. 05 in Docket No UG-200568, in which the Commission allowed for the continuation of 2020-2021 program operations and spending levels into the foreseeable future.

The changes proposed herein to Schedule 593 will result in an annual revenue increase of approximately \$396,776 or an increase in annual revenue of 0.151%. The average residential customer using 56 therms per month will see a bill decrease of about \$0.08 per month, an increase of 0.140%. The average commercial customer using 290 therms per month will see a bill increase of approximately \$0.33 per month, an increase of 0.126%.

Below is a table of the proposed changes to Schedule 593 by customer rate schedule:

Service	Sch. No.	Rate Change	Proposed Rate Per Therm	Percent Change
Residential	503	0.00142	\$0.00475	0.140%
Commercial	504	0.00115	\$0.00384	0.126%
Industrial	505	0.00071	\$0.00238	0.095%
Industrial Lg Vol	511	0.00060	\$0.00201	0.086%
Interruptible	570	0.00021	\$0.00071	0.034%
Transportation	663	0.00013	\$0.00043	0.402%

The Company's WEAF Advisory Group was consulted about the 2021-2022 program budget during an advisory group meeting held on June 22, 2021. WEAF budget updates are distributed to all advisory members monthly via electronic mail.

SCHEDULE 303-A - WEAF PROGRAM TARIFF REVISIONS

The changes herein to the Company's Sheet No. 303-A revises the program costs section to clarify that the amounts presented are authorized WEAF budget amounts. The budget level was authorized per Order No. 05 in Docket No UG-200568, the Company's last general rate case. In that order the Commission approved the continuance of the Company's 2020-2021 WEAF budget level and operations.

This filing submitted electronically includes the following files:

NEW CNGC Advice No. W21-09-05, CLtr, 09.17.21.pdf
NEW CNGC Advice No. W21-09-05, Attch A, 09.17.21.xlsx
NEW CNGC Advice No. W21-09-05, Attch B, 09.17.21.xlsx
NEW CNGC Advice No. W21-09-05, Attch C, 09.17.21.xlsx
NEW CNGC Advice No. W21-09-05, Sch 303-A, 09.17.21.pdf
NEW CNGC Advice No. W21-09-05, Sch 303-A Leg, 09.17.21.pdf
NEW CNGC Advice No. W21-09-05, Sch 593, 09.17.21.pdf
NEW CNGC Advice No. W21-09-05, Sch 593 Leg, 09.17.21.pdf

If you have any questions, please contact me at (208) 377-6015.

Sincerely,

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