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NWN Advice No. WUTC 09-5

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Dave Danner, Executive Director & Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W. P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Re: Schedule 203A: Purchased Gas Adjustment Credit (one-time) (LSN Application Enclosed)

Dear Mr. Danner:

Northwest Natural Gas Company, dba NW Natural ("NW Natural" or the "Company"), files herewith the following revisions and additions to its Tariff WN U-6, stated to become effective on less than statutory notice on and after June 1, 2009:

Ninth Revision of Sheet vii, Tariff Index (continued); and

Original Sheet 203A.1, Schedule 203-A "Purchased Gas Adjustment Credit".

The purpose of this filing is to establish a new adjustment schedule (Schedule 203A) to apply a one-time June 2009 adjustment for purchased gas cost savings experienced by the Company between November 1, 2008 and March 31, 2009. The one-time adjustment (credit) will be added to bills issued in June 2009 and will apply to all customers that received sales service from the Company at any time between November 1, 2008 and March 31, 2009. The credit will apply only to customer accounts that are active at the time of the June 2009 bill issue date.

The Schedule 203A credit will reduce June 2009 customer bills. The average reduction by customer class is as follows:

- Residential Schedule 2 \$45.99
- Small Commercial \$195.40
- Large Industrial \$6,235.75

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The Company respectfully requests that the tariff sheets filed herein be approved to become effective with service on and after June 1, 2009. A request for approval on less than statutory notice is enclosed

A copy of the filing is available for public inspection in the Company's main office in Portland, Oregon and on its website at www.nwnatural.com.

As required by WAC 480-80-103(4)(a), I certify that I have authority to issue tariff revisions on behalf of NW Natural.

Please address correspondence on this matter to me with copies to the following:

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Sincerely,

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