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June 14, 1996

Re: Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
v. Cascade Natural Gas Corporation
Docket No. UG-951415, et al.

TO ALL PARTIES OF RECORD:

On June 6, 1996, Commission Staff on behalf of all parties to the above captioned and docketed proceeding requested an extension of the current schedule in these proceedings to accommodate further settlement discussions among the parties. Specifically, the parties requested the prefiling date for Commission Staff, Public Counsel, and Intervenor direct testimony be extended from June 19 to July 19, 1996; prefiling of parties' cross-answering and Company rebuttal testimony be extended from July 19 to August 19, 1996.

The parties represent the hearings scheduled for August 27-30, 1996, could be rescheduled to a time convenient to the Commission. The Company has represented it will waive the statutory suspension period, as necessary, to accommodate the proposed extensions of the current schedule should formal proceedings be necessary.

The Commission accepts the proposed extensions of the current schedule and the Company's waiver of the current statutory suspension deadline. The parties are put on notice that the Commissioners' calendars are extremely congested through September 1996, and that other matters may conspire to further delay resumption of the hearings, if necessary.

The Commission accepts the extensions for prefiling testimony as described in the letter from Commission Staff, and cancels the August 27-30, 1996 hearings previously scheduled.

Sincerely,

Steve King
Acting Commission Secretary