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Public Utility Commission of Oregon 550 Capitol Street, NE, Suite 215 Post Office Box 2148 Salem, Oregon 97308-2148

Attention: Filing Center

RE: UM 1286 – NW Natural Annual PGA Sharing Election (2012-2013)

Northwest Natural Gas Company, dba NW Natural (NW Natural or Company), hereby makes an annual election of 90/10 sharing under the PGA mechanism for the November 2012 - October 2013 PGA year, in compliance with Commission Order No. 08-504 in UM 1286. This is the same sharing percentage NW Natural elected for the 2011-2012 PGA year.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely,

/s/ Natasha Siores

Natasha Siores

cc: UM 1286 Service List

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing **NW Natural Annual PGA Sharing Election letter in Docket UM 1286** upon each party listed below, by electronic mail and, where paper service is not waived, by U.S. mail, postage prepaid:

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DATED this 9th day of October 2012.

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