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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Public Utility Commission of Oregon  
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Re: UG 298–NWN OPUC Advice No. 15-12  
Annual Purchased Gas Cost and Technical Rate Adjustments

As required by *OAR 860-022-0017(4)*, enclosed is an affidavit attesting that notice has been given of the above-referenced filing, dated July 31, 2015. Affidavits of Publication and representative tearsheets from the major newspapers<sup>1</sup> in the Company's Oregon service territory are attached thereto.

Please contact me if you have questions.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Shannon L. Seagondollar*

Shannon L. Seagondollar  
Rates and Regulatory Affairs

enclosures

cc: Phil Boyle, OPUC Consumer Services w/enclosures

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<sup>1</sup> *The Oregonian* (Portland); *The Statesman Journal* (Salem); *The Register-Guard* (Eugene); and *The World* (Coos Bay).



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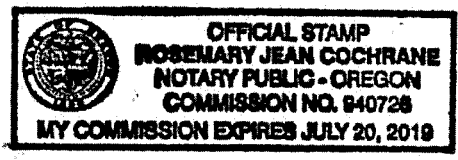
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Sworn to before me this 13 day of August 2015.

Rosemary Jean Cochrane  
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Eugene

# Gun: Fees ranging from \$20 to \$50

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explain the new law, in an effort to increase compliance. On Monday, Eugene Mayor Kirk Ege held a brief press conference to announce a new television ad that will air in the Eugene and Portland markets over the next two weeks. The ads are paid for by Everytown for Gun Safety, a gun control advocacy group funded by former New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg that has spent heavily in lobbying for SB 941.

Ege said she supports the new law because background checks are "the responsible thing to do."

"Background checks are good for public safety," she said. "Closing this loophole makes it harder for criminals to get guns."

Oregon law previously required background checks for sales of guns by federally licensed dealers, such as retail stores and at gun shows, but not for private sales between individuals.

The checks are intended to flag felons and individuals with a history of severe mental illness, among others, who are prohibited from buying a gun.

Under the new law, to make a transaction locally a private seller and buyer must go together, in most cases, to a licensed gun dealer who agrees to conduct the background check on the buyer for a fee.

In the new ad, former Portland police chief Mike Reese argues that background checks will be "quick and easy" because most Oregonians live within 10 miles of a licensed gun dealer. There are about 2,000 licensed dealers in Oregon, although many of them are private gun collectors who do not have stores open to the general public.

Everytown for Gun Safety has reserved 30 minutes for the new spot. A spokeswoman said Monday, in April, the group spent roughly \$40,000 on air television ads in the Eugene and Portland areas, according to contracts filed with the Federal Communications Commission.

Because the ads are paid for by Everytown, the expense doesn't have to be reported as political spending in Oregon. Opposition to the background check expansion has been strong in Lane County, despite the area's liberal political leanings. Two local Democratic lawmakers, Rep. Val Hoyle and Sen. Floyd Prozanski, were targeted for recalls by opponents of the policy.

The Hoyle recall effort was dropped in July, while the sponsor of the Prozanski recall effort has until early September to submit about 200 valid signatures to put his recall on the ballot.

**Deputies won't get involved**  
In early June, the Lane County Board of Commissioners approved, on a 4-1 vote, an ordinance that directed the new law "as an unfunded mandate" from the state. It said that the county "is unable" to spend "any county resources" on implementing or enforcing it.

On Monday, Lane County Sheriff Byron Trapp characterized that ordinance as a "statement of fact" rather than a "policy statement" that the county won't enforce the law.

However, he added that the sheriff's office has two-thirds the number of deputies it did in 2007, which means its focus is on crimes that pose an immediate threat to a person or property.

Enforcing SB 941 "doesn't rise to the level of calls that keep my guys busy every day," Trapp said.

At the local level, enforcing the law would involve, for example, responding to complaints that an individual had

failed to conduct a background check or charging someone who, in the course of a county investigation into other violations, was found to have bought a weapon without the background check.

Sellers could face escalating criminal charges — a civil liability for selling a gun privately without a background check. Oregon State Police, meanwhile, will report the names of anyone who flunks a background check to local law enforcement for potential investigation and leveling of charges.

**Enforcement concerns**  
Trapp said he shared concerns expressed by the bill's opponents that the law was logistically unenforceable.

There is no centralized registry of guns in Oregon, only scattered records of gun sale transactions — that could be used to track a gun found in a criminal's possession.

And bringing relatively minor criminal charges for an unregulated sale would typically require "a level of investigation that takes a lot of time" for local law enforcement, he added.

Still, Trapp advised Lane County residents to comply with the new law. "The likelihood of getting caught may not be that high, but the potential consequences, if you are caught, may be an unacceptable risk" to many people, he said.

**Beating themselves out**

Another challenge to the law's implementation is whether enough gun dealers will agree to conduct background checks for private parties so as to make the process relatively easy. Dealers can charge a "reasonable" fee for the service, on top of the \$10-per-application law fee. Last week, the Fred

# Bard: What did he put in pipe, smoke?

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Using gas chromatography mass spectrometry, a procedure common in forensic testing, researchers found evidence of cannabis in eight samples, including from tobacco leaves in at least one sample, and "definitive evidence" for Peruvian cocaine from coca leaves in two samples.

Neither of the two pipes containing marijuana and coca evidence came from the garden of Shakespeare, according to the study. But four of the pipes with cannabis did. The study cited Shakespearean writing that who could be interpreted as a drug. For instance, the Bard's Jonnet Shrove features references to "compounds strange" and "a noted weed."

Thackeray wrote in the new paper that researchers were unsure if "Shakespeare may have been aware of the deleterious effects of cocaine as a strange compound," though it's possible that the Bard "preferred cannabis as a stimulant."

possible references to drugs in the writings of Shakespeare. The paper also states that Shakespearean scholars were critical of the original study and urged them to reconsider the evidence.

"Literary analyses and chemical science can be mutually beneficial, bringing the arts and the sciences together in an effort to better understand Shakespeare and his contemporaries," wrote Patrick Thackeray, the author of the paper who was also involved with the original study.

Thackeray teaches in the Evolutionary Studies Institute at the University of the Witwatersrand in Johannesburg.

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# Birds: Some have sold for \$1,000

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Back then, he says, he had a crew of 200 working for him, building homes by the tens.

So something as simple as a birdbush isn't much of a challenge, Coble says. It's just fun.

"I just get the enjoyment of doing it," says Coble, whose looks and gravelly voice are reminiscent of singer and actor Kris Kristofferson.

"If I'm not doing that, I volunteer down at the church (New Hope International) or the Eugene Mission."

"I don't really know of anything I can't build," he adds. "I'm just blessed that way."

Coble says he built his first birdbush in Phoenix about 25 years ago. He had just finished building a home for a friend.

The house had a swimming pool and beautiful redwood decks. Coble was inspired to build a birdbush to accompany the rich grains of that deck.

He and Ginnie, high school sweethearts who married at 18, moved to Oregon in 1962. They bought 90 acres near Fisher Road and Royal Avenue, where for years they raised cattle.

They sold most of the

property about a decade ago, except for a couple of acres on the far west end. There, Coble built a home of stone and wrought-iron.

With time on his hands, he built another birdbush, and then another and another until a few more after that.

Two of them greet you on either side of the gravel driveway that ends after a lengthy trip from the end of Royal Avenue.

Birdbush pieces are strewn all over a table in his garage that is large enough to fit his 43-foot-long recreational vehicle.

"Once you get all the parts cut, you've just got to put them all together," Coble says.

He says he has no blueprint for these birdbushes. And he has never been particularly drawn to birds, although he marvels at the number of swallows that can fit on one of his birdbushes. As many as 100, he says.

Coble and Ginnie do not place any bird feed on the houses. The swallows are attracted to the insects that live on and around the wood, he says.

"They eat their weight every day in insects," Coble says of the swallows.

Coble estimates that he spends 20 hours in

100 hours creating each birdbush, and he has sold a few of them, for \$1,000 or more apiece.

They are often as tall as 11 feet, including the post they sit on, or about 9 feet after you sink the post into the ground. He builds them out of cedar and highlights them with stained glass or black-painted rock.

"Every one's a little different; this one's got round roofs," Coble says of the most recent birdbush under construction on his table.

The Cobles have two sons, Gray and Eric, 50, both of San Diego, and 14 grandchildren.

One of their grandchildren, Savannah Coble, met Lexington while planning an event at Gray's Garden Center. She told him about her gran's birdbushes — which is why Lexington and Leaton are standing in his garage.

You can find Coble's latest creation at Gray's Garden Center on West Sixth Avenue, retailing for \$1,500.

"It's an eye-catcher," Leaton says.

Follow Mark on Twitter @MarkHuckerR1. Email him at mark.hucker@registerguard.com.

# NW Natural Files to Reduce Rates in Oregon

NW Natural proposes to reduce rates for Oregon customers effective November 1, 2015. On July 21, NW Natural filed its initial request with the Public Utility Commission of Oregon to reflect gas purchases and other miscellaneous adjustments to rates for the upcoming year that begins November 1. NW Natural will update this filing as mid-September as part of the regulatory process; these costs are updated at similar filings every year.

## HOW MUCH WILL MY GAS BILL GO DOWN?

If the rate changes are approved as filed, residential rates will be lower by about 5.2% and commercial rates will be lower by about 5.8%. Large industrial firm rates will be lower by 17.3%, and large industrial interruptible rates will be lower by 21.5%. The percentages for large industrial customers do not include the proposed decrease in pipeline demand costs. Residential customers using an average of 53 therms per month would see a monthly bill reduction of about \$3.83.

## WHY THE PRICE CHANGE?

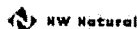
The primary reason for the price change is to reflect a pass-through to customers of the gas costs NW Natural will pay over the coming year to its suppliers. A true-up of prior year gas cost purchases and changes in other non-gas cost activities approved by regulators for inclusion at customer rates. The price change also includes costs for 300,000 therms per day of additional storage capacity at NW Natural's Mtz Storage facility, and amounts for environmental remediation cost recovery. If approved as filed, NW Natural's net revenues from Oregon customers will decrease by \$52,905,307 or about 7.8 percent. Of that, \$24,227,752 or about 3.6 percent represents the removal of previous temporary adjustments and cost of gas changes which are passed through to customers without mark up and which will not impact NW Natural's earnings.

## HOW CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THIS FILING?

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# U.S. rowers fall ill at 2016 Olympics site

The Associated Press

**RIO DE JANEIRO** — Thirteen rowers on the 40-member U.S. team came down with stomach illnesses at the World Junior Rowing Championships — a trial run for next summer's Olympics — and the team doctor said the stomach ailment was caused by pollution in the lake where the competition took place.

The event took place amid rising concerns about the water quality at venues for the Rio de Janeiro Olympics, now less than a year away.

The Americans were by far the hardest hit at the regatta that concluded over the weekend, with reports in some cases, bacteria from human sewage in all of Rio's Olympic and Paralympic water venues.

Rowing, the sport's governing body, but those were about as expected at an event that featured more than 500 young rowers.

On July 30, The Associated Press published an independent analysis of water quality that showed high levels of viruses and, in some cases, bacteria from human sewage in all of Rio's Olympic and Paralympic water venues.

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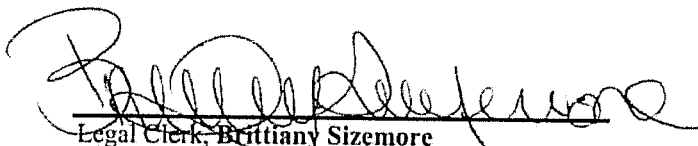
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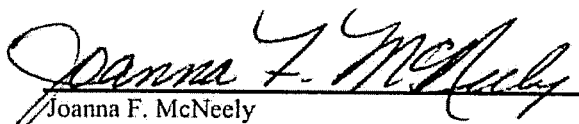
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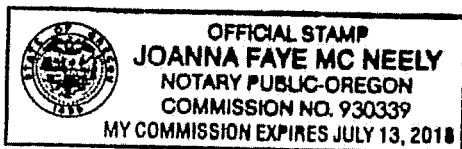
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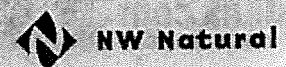
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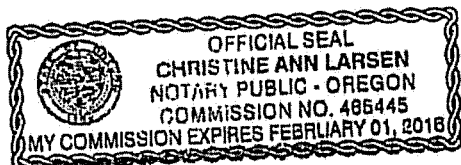
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## MID-VALLEY BRIEFS

### Health advisory issued for Seal Rock State Beach

Elevated levels of fecal bacteria at Seal Rock State Beach have triggered a health advisory to avoid water contact at the popular recreation area south of Lincoln City.

The Oregon Health Authority says that water samples indicate elevated levels of the bacteria that can cause diarrhea, stomach cramps, skin rashes, upper respiratory infections and other illnesses.

Water contact should be avoided, especially by children and the elderly who may be more vulnerable to waterborne bacteria.

— Henry Miller

### Barn fire near Lebanon expected to burn for days

A barn filled with approximately 2,000 tons of hay went up in flames just after midnight Tuesday morning near Highway 20 and Boliken Drive just south of Lebanon.

The cause of the fire, which firefighters described as "mysterious in nature," is currently under investigation by the Lane County Sheriff's Office. Property losses are estimated at \$250,000.

Lebanon Fire District officials said large amounts of fuel and hay stored in the barn combined with a lack of water made it impossible to fight the fire.

— Conway Williams

## BIRTHS

The following are birth announcements received between July 21 and Aug. 7. For more, go to [sjnowjournal.com/births](http://sjnowjournal.com/births).

### SALEM HOSPITAL

Adams, Talyiah Marie; To Denise Holt and Robert Adams Jr., 6,141st & 9th streets, Aug. 1.  
 Campbell-Abraham, Emmanuelle Hope; To Elizabeth Campbell-Abraham and David Manna, Salem, 8 pounds 12 ounces, Aug. 5.  
 Cantrell, Charley Parker; To Ben and Teron Cantrell, Aumsville, 5 pounds 9 ounces, Aug. 8.  
 Carls, Kaitlyn Jeanne; To Robert and Pamela Carls, Salem, 7 pounds 13 ounces, Aug. 4.  
 Clark, Oliver Leiferman; To James and Casey Clark, Salem, 8 pounds 4 ounces, Aug. 1.  
 Clark, Zephaniah Williams; To Caitlin and Philip Clark, Salem, 7 pounds 1 ounce, July 21.  
 Cohen, Bailey Mae; To Ethan Godfrey and Mitchell Cohen, Salem, 8 pounds 4 ounces, July 21.  
 Decker, Zoey Lou; To Stephanie and Everett Decker, Salem, 7 pounds, Aug. 5.  
 Doyle, Brooklyn Lee; To Cassandra and Kyle Doyle, Dallas, 7 pounds 8 ounces, July 20.  
 Kirtwell, Lavada Pearl; To Jennifer Budenz and Amy Hartman, Marlin, 8 pounds 1 ounce, Aug. 3.  
 Jones, Skylyn Michelle; To Leah and Chris Jones, Independence, 8 pounds 7 ounces, Aug. 2.  
 Keaton, Annabelle Rose; To Carmen Pazzanite and Sarah Keaton, Salem, 7 pounds 12 ounces, Aug. 6.

Kindland, Leahlynn Loren; To Stephanie and Bryan Kindland, Kitzon, 7 pounds 8 ounces, Aug. 3.  
 Lane, Gavin Michael-Gideon; To Melissa Lane and David Gideon Jr., Salem, 8 pounds 11 ounces, Aug. 8.  
 Lanning, Allyana Mercedes; To Julie Lanning and Julie Rommel Lane, Kiefer, 7 pounds 14 ounces, Aug. 1.  
 Masick, Flora Fayen; To Mary Anne and Connor Masick, Salem, 7 pounds 11 ounces, Aug. 6.  
 Nelson, Kameron Blain; To Amanda Mary and Erik Nelson, Salem, 8 pounds, Aug. 8.  
 Pineda-Camacho, Julian Armando; To Alicia Perry and Julia Camacho, Salem, 8 pounds, Aug. 3.  
 Schaefer, Aubrey Lynn; To Arie and Anthony Schaefer, Mayton, 6 pounds 3 ounces, July 31.  
 Turner, Fred Alvin; To Tabitha and David Turner, Coquille, 8 pounds 10 ounces, Aug. 5.  
 Wigginton, Kaleigh Annmarie; To Carl Lebour and David Wigginton, Salem, 7 pounds 9 ounces, July 25.

### SILVERTON HOSPITAL

Arroyo Figueroa, Esteban Aaron; To Yuri Figueroa and Gabriel Reyes, Salem, 7 pounds 4 ounces, Aug. 8.  
 Beaman, Feodor Du; To Angela and David Reuter, Silverton, 8 pounds 13 ounces, July 15.  
 Becka, Breella Marie; To Yolanda Gutierrez and Daniel Becka, Kiefer, 8 pounds 13 ounces, July 5.  
 Sellers, Jack William; To Kelly and Brent Sellers, Silverton, 8 pounds 14 ounces, July 2.

## CRIME LOG

### POLICE

Reported in the 24 hours ending at 4 p.m. Sunday (unless noted otherwise).

### SALEM

Residential and business burglaries: 930 Wywood Ave. NE, 300 higher, 02-5C.

Stolen vehicles: 2830 9th St. SE, 2400 17th St. SE.

Traffic crashes: Saturday, 4 p.m., Mission and 25th streets SE, 7:08 p.m., Lancaster Drive SE and North Salem-Lancaster Hwy, 8:22 a.m., North Lancaster W/Lancaster Ramp and Lancaster Drive SE, Sunday, 12:15 a.m., Hwy 101 and 6th St. NE, 11:29 a.m., 1730 Silverton Road NE.

### KEIZER

Traffic crashes: Saturday, 7:25 p.m., Chenoweth Road and Prebble Ct NE.

### MARION COUNTY

Stolen vehicles: 9200 Howell Prairie Road NE, Peppas Lane and Glendale Ave. NE.

Traffic crashes: Saturday, 2:11 p.m., North Santiam Hwy and Mileage weight Road SE, 8:39 p.m., 2200 Carl Road NE, 9:21 p.m., Quarry Road and 25th Hwy NE, Sunday, 7:45 a.m., 12000 Silverton Road NE.

### POLK COUNTY

Traffic crashes: Sunday, 11:04 a.m., Harfield Creek and Arlee Road.

### FIRE

Reported in the 24 hours ending at 4 p.m. Sunday.

### SALEM

7:53 a.m. grass fire, 1600 Water Drive SE, extinguished, 11:58 a.m. grass fire, 700 Mark St. NE, extinguished.

### MARION COUNTY DISTRICT 1

8:27 a.m. grass fire, 100 Shawnee Drive SE, extinguished.

### POLICE

Reported in the 24 hours ending at 4 p.m. Sunday (unless noted otherwise).

### SALEM

Residential and business burglaries: 1400 Carol Ave. NE, 3100 Dowland Drive E.

Stolen vehicles: 1300 Marlett St. NE, 1600 Church St. NE, 1700 Park Ave. NE, 300 Court St. NE, 1300 17th St. SE.

Traffic crashes: Sunday, 11:25 p.m., 4500 Sunnyside Road NE, Monday, 1:05 p.m., 750 Commercial St. SE.

### MARION COUNTY

Stolen vehicles: 4900 Devonshire Ct. NE, 5400 Harzinger Road NE.

Traffic crashes: Monday, 11:32 a.m., Lancaster and Reynolds Drive NE.

### POLK COUNTY

Residential and business burglaries: 8500 West Elgin

### Road

Reported in the 24 hours ending at 4 p.m. Monday.

### SALEM

Monday

7:11 a.m. grass fire, 2900 Mission Way SE, extinguished, 7:53 a.m. grass fire, 400 Russell Drive SE, extinguished.

### KEIZER

10:11 p.m. grass fire, Cherry Ave. and Sam Chase Way NE, extinguished.

### MARION COUNTY DISTRICT 1

11:43 p.m. grass fire, Portland and Bernaldo roads NE, extinguished.

### POLICE

Reported in the 24 hours ending at 4 p.m. Sunday (unless noted otherwise).

### SALEM

Residential and business burglaries: 700 Foxford Ave. SE, 1370 Buckingham Ct. SE, 3400 Lancaster Drive SE.

Stolen vehicles: 1520 Hawthorne Ave. SE, 4200 Curry Ct. NE, 1600 Wesslake Ct. SE, 700 Stepping St. NE.

Traffic crashes: Monday, 3:38 a.m., Sunnyside Road and Kuester Blvd. SE, 8:01 p.m., Lancaster Drive and Washburn St. NE, 8:26 p.m., Hood and Reynolds Drive NE, Sunday, 1:29 a.m., Commercial St. and Tabby Road SE.

### DALLAS

Residential and business burglaries: 1700 S. Jefferson St.

### INDEPENDENCE

Traffic crashes: Monday, 5:27 p.m., Monmouth and 19th Street.

### MARION COUNTY

Stolen vehicles: Jefferson Lake Drive and Greens Bridge Road SE.

Traffic crashes: Monday, 3:13 a.m., 5400 Cliff Road SE, 3:38 p.m., Sunnyside Road and Kuester Blvd. SE, 8:21 p.m., 400 Southgate Drive S, Sunday, 5:44 a.m., 3600 Jefferson-Kanawha Road SE, 3 p.m., 500 Lancaster Drive NE.

### FIRE

Reported in the 24 hours ending at 4 p.m. Tuesday.

### SALEM

Tuesday

12:07 p.m. car fire, 800 Sumner St. SE, extinguished.

### MARION COUNTY DISTRICT 1

Monday

3:34 p.m. grass fire, Portland Road and Webb Ave. NE, extinguished, 11:42 p.m. home structure fire, 3600 87th Ave. NE, extinguished.

LEGAL NOTICE

## You Could Get \$164 or More If You Bought Gas in Oregon at an ARCO or ARCO ampm Station and Paid a Debit Card Fee

**Case Update** You may have seen a previous notice in this case. The Oregon state rule on unclaimed money in class actions has recently changed, and your rights may be affected. People who did not previously receive a letter about this case, file a claim, or opt out of this lawsuit may need to take action. If this applies to you, you must file a claim or opt-out of this lawsuit to preserve your rights. Any money that is not claimed will be paid to Oregon Legal Services and an entity (or entities) chosen by the Court.

**What is this case about?** An Oregon jury found that BP West Coast Products LLC ("BPWCP") charged more for gas than the amount registered at the pump and failed to properly disclose its prices when it charged a 35-cent fee to consumers who used debit cards to pay for gas at Oregon ARCO stations and ampm locations. BPWCP has denied the claims in this case and plans to appeal the jury verdict.

**Am I eligible to file a claim?** You can file a claim now if:

- You purchased gas at Oregon ARCO or ARCO ampm locations between January 1, 2011 and August 30, 2013 and paid a 35-cent debit card transaction fee,
- You did not receive a letter about the lawsuit,
- You did not already file a claim, and
- You did not opt-out.

If you already received a letter about this case, do not file a claim because you will receive an automatic payment.

**How can I file a claim?** File a claim online or by mail by September 21, 2015. If you file a valid claim, you will be eligible to receive \$164.85 or more, and you will give up your right to individually sue BPWCP for the claims in this case. The previous notice talked about a \$200 payment, but the fees required to pay Class Counsel will reduce payments by \$35.15.

**What are my other rights?** If eligible, you may also:

- Exclude yourself (or opt-out) online or by mail from the lawsuit by September 21, 2015. You will keep your right to sue BPWCP yourself.
- Object to the notice or claims process (or the fees if you file a claim now) by September 18, 2015.
- Do nothing. If you did not previously take action and now do not file a claim or exclude yourself, you will give up your right to get any money from this lawsuit and your right to sue BPWCP yourself.

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## NW Natural Files to Reduce Rates in Oregon

NW Natural proposes to reduce rates for Oregon customers effective November 1, 2015. On July 31, NW Natural filed its initial request with the Public Utility Commission of Oregon to reflect gas purchases and other miscellaneous adjustments to rates for the upcoming year that begins November 1. NW Natural will update the filing in mid-September as part of the regulatory process; these costs are updated in similar filings every year.

**HOW MUCH WILL MY GAS BILL GO DOWN?**  
 If the rate changes are approved as filed, residential rates will be lower by about 9.2% and commercial rates will drop by about 6.8%. Large industrial firm rates will be lower by 17.3%, and large industrial interuptible rates will be lower by 21.5%. The percentages for large industrial customers do not include the proposed decrease in pipeline demand costs. Residential customers using an average of 53 therms per month would see a monthly bill reduction of about \$3.83.

**WHY THE PRICE CHANGE?**  
 The primary reason for the price change is to reflect a pass-through to customers of the gas costs NW Natural will pay over the coming year to its supplier, a true-up of prior year gas cost purchases, and changes in other non-gas cost activities approved by regulation for inclusion in customer rates. The price change also includes costs for 300,000 therms per day of additional storage capacity at NW Natural's Mtz Storage facility, and amounts for environmental remediation cost recovery. If approved as filed, NW Natural's net revenues from Oregon customers will decrease by \$52,805,307 or about 7.8 percent. Of that, \$24,227,752 or about 3.6 percent represents the removal of previous temporary adjustments and cost of gas changes which are passed through to customers without mark up and which will not impact NW Natural's earnings.

**HOW CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THIS FILING?**  
 Copies of the filing are available for inspection at NW Natural's main office, and on NW Natural's website at [www.nwnatural.com](http://www.nwnatural.com). For more information about the filing, or notice of the time and place of any hearing, contact NW Natural or the Public Utility Commission of Oregon as follows:

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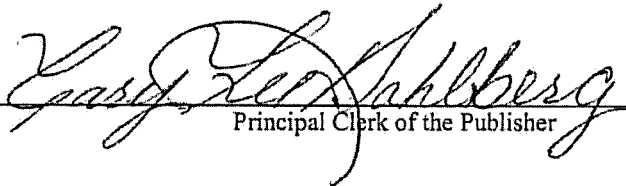
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