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## **VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Public Utility Commission of Oregon Attn: Filing Center 201 High Street SE, Suite 100 Post Office Box 1088 Salem, OR 97308-1088

Re: UM 1722, UG 286 – Withdrawal of NWN's OPUC Advice No. 14-23 Schedule 177, System Integrity Program (SIP) Recovery Mechanism

Northwest Natural Gas Company ("NW Natural") filed Advice No. 14-23 on October 21, 2014, with an effective date of March 1, 2015. The purpose of the filing was to extend its System Integrity Program ("SIP"), with certain modifications. Supplemental filings were made on February 6, 2015, and March 3, 2015.

On March 25, 2015, the Oregon Public Utility Commission ("Commission") issued Order No. 15-093 suspending Advice No. 14-23 for further investigation and opening a generic investigation to examine the recovery of safety costs by natural gas utilities. The Commission consolidated the two investigations and those investigations have proceeded on a parallel path in dockets UG 286 (NW Natural's extension) and UM 1722 (generic investigation).

NW Natural now withdraws Advice No. 14-23 and respectfully requests the Commission to close Docket UG 286. This filing will not affect NW Natural's continued participation in Docket UM 1722.

If you have any questions about this filing, please do not hesitate to contact me at 503.721.2476.

Sincerely,

/s/ Mark R. Thompson

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