ISSUED: July 20, 2011

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UM 903

In the Matter of

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY, dba NW NATURAL

RULING

2011 Spring Earnings Review.

DISPOSITION: PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE SUSPENDED

On July 20, 2011, Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Staff) filed a motion to suspend the procedural schedule in this docket. Staff explains that the parties have identified additional issues that may need to be presented to the Commission for resolution. The parties do not have time to address these additional issues in the position statements/opening comments currently due on July 20, 2011.

According to Staff, the parties intend to convene to discuss an alternate procedural schedule on July 21, 2011, and intend to submit an agreed-upon procedural schedule for approval no later than July 22, 2011.

Staff's motion is granted. The current schedule is suspended.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, this 20th day of July, 2011.

Lisa D. Hardie

Administrative Law Judge