

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

UM 1635

In the Matter of

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS  
COMPANY, dba NW NATURAL,

Mechanism for Recovery of  
Environmental Remediation Costs.

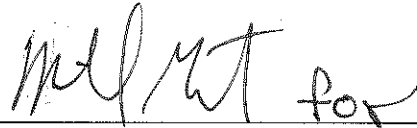
RULING

DISPOSITION: PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE SUSPENDED

On June 6, 2013, I adopted a procedural schedule with prehearing briefs due on August 28, 2013 and a hearing scheduled for September 4, 2013. On August 7, 2013, the parties filed testimony in support of two stipulations proposing to resolve all contested issues in this docket.

The Commission is considering the parties' proposed stipulations and the testimony supporting those stipulations. At this time, I am suspending the procedural schedule. I anticipate that this docket will proceed to a hearing, to give the Commissioners the opportunity to question parties regarding the proposed stipulations. I will schedule a prehearing conference at a later date, to discuss a revised hearing date.

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2013, at Salem, Oregon.



Shani Pines  
Administrative Law Judge