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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

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

Re: General Rule 24: Gas Quality Standards and Determination of Thermal Units

Northwest Natural Gas Company, dba NW Natural (NW Natural or Company), files herewith the following tariff sheet stated to become effective with service on and after **March 9, 2016**:

Second Revision of Sheet RR-24.1,
General Rules and Regulations,
General Rule 24 "Gas Quality Standards and Determination of Thermal Units (continued)."

The purpose of this filing is to propose revisions to the weather station identification references for the Corvallis and Hood River stations reflected on Sheet RR-24.1. These revisions are necessary to accurately reflect the weather stations that were used to establish normal temperatures and heating degree day calculations that were adopted in the Company's last Oregon general rate case in Docket UG 221, and that are still in use today. The changes to the weather station identifications were inadvertently overlooked at the time that the Company filed its UG 221 compliance filing in October 2012.

There is no effect on customer rates or on Company revenues as a result of these revisions.

The Company respectfully requests that the tariff sheets filed herein be approved to become effective with service on and after March 9, 2016.

Copies of this letter and the filing made herewith are available in the Company's main office in Portland, Oregon and on its website at www.nwnatural.com.

The Company waives paper service in this proceeding.

Please address correspondence on this matter to me with copies to the following:

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Sincerely,

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Attachments

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY

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Second Revision of Sheet RR-24.1
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GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

(continued)

Rule 24. Gas Quality Standards and Determination of Thermal Units (continued).

Temperature Factor (TF) is an average determined from representative samples of metering temperatures for the billing period. Temperature information for most accounts will be obtained from daily temperature data for the weather stations specified in this **Rule 24**, as published daily by third party sources. The temperature factor might alternatively be applied through on-site temperature compensating devices or other temperature recording equipment.

$$\text{Temperature Factor} = \frac{520}{(\text{Metering Temperature } ^\circ\text{F} + 460)}$$

Temperature data will be based on the daily temperatures reported for the weather stations listed in the table below. Each weather station corresponds to one of eight weather zone assignments within the Company's Oregon service territory. Each account is assigned a weather zone based upon where the Customer's premise is located on a geographical plat map. In most cases, the weather zone assigned to a plat will correspond with its assigned service district. NW Natural uses data received from County Assessors Offices in the process of establishing weather zone assignments.

Weather Station	NWN Weather Zone
Astoria (350328)	Astoria
Coos Bay (356073)	Coos Bay
Newport (356032)	Lincoln City
Corvallis Oregon AgriMet Weather Station (CRVO)	Albany
Hood River Oregon AgriMet Weather Station (HOXO)	The Dalles
Portland (356751)	Portland
Eugene (352709)	Eugene
Salem (357500)	Salem

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If at any time the daily temperature data is not available for any of the listed weather stations, the Company will use data from a substitute station within the respective weather zone, and will adjust the data for the high and low temperature differential between the two stations. In the event that temperature data for any weather station is continually unavailable or unreliable, the Company will select a replacement weather station within the respective weather zone. When a replacement weather station is established, the normal weather heating degree days for the replacement station will be adjusted so that the data used for the replacement weather station remains aligned with the data used to determine normal weather in the Company's last general rate case.

(continue to Sheet RR-24.2)

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