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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Attention: Filing Center  
Public Utility Commission of Oregon  
P.O. Box 1088  
Salem, Oregon 97308-1088

**Re: UG 388 – NW Natural Request for a Rate Revision.**

Attention Filing Center:

Attached for filing in the above-referenced docket is a copy of Northwest Natural Gas Company's Motion to Admit the Stipulation and Request for Waiver.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Alisha Till*

Alisha Till  
Paralegal

Attachment

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

**UG 388**

In the Matter of

NW NATURAL GAS COMPANY D/B/A NW  
NATURAL

Request for a General Rate Revision.

**MOTION TO ADMIT  
STIPULATION AND REQUEST  
FOR WAIVER**

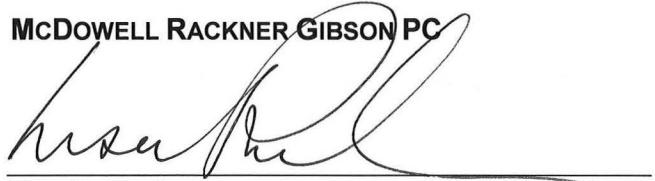
1           Concurrently with this Motion and Request for Waiver, Northwest Natural Gas  
2 Company (NW Natural) is filing a stipulation reflecting the agreement of all parties to this  
3 case—NW Natural, Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Oregon, the Oregon Citizens'  
4 Utility Board, and Alliance of Western Energy Consumers (collectively, Stipulating Parties)—  
5 regarding cost of capital issues (Stipulation). Accordingly, NW Natural, on behalf of the  
6 Stipulating Parties, requests that the Administrative Law Judge issue a ruling admitting the  
7 Stipulation into the record as evidence in this proceeding, and further requests a waiver of the  
8 requirement in OAR 860-001-0350(7) that settlements between parties be accompanied by  
9 joint testimony or a supporting brief when filed. NW Natural has consulted with the Stipulating  
10 Parties, and the Stipulating Parties support this Motion and Request for Waiver.

11           The Stipulating Parties seek to file this Stipulation immediately, in order to notify the  
12 Commission and interested parties that the Stipulating Parties have resolved cost of capital  
13 issues raised in this docket. The Stipulating Parties plan to file testimony supporting the  
14 Stipulation on April 21, 2020—which is two business days after Staff and Intervenor Response  
15 testimony is due. Accordingly, the Stipulating Parties ask for a waiver of the requirement in  
16 OAR 860-001-0350(7) that the Stipulation be accompanied by supporting testimony at the  
17 time of filing.

1 For the foregoing reasons, NW Natural asks the ALJ to accept the Stipulation for filing  
2 and waive the requirement in OAR 860-001-0350(7) that a supporting joint brief or testimony  
3 be filed contemporaneously.

4 DATED this 12th day of March 2020.

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