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Prehearing Brief Waiver

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "W Gerlitz".

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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON**

**UG 221**

In the Matter of	)	Prehearing Brief Waiver
NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY,	)	of the
dba NW NATURAL,	)	<b>NW Energy Coalition</b>
Request for a General Rate Revision	)	

The NW Energy Coalition provided Opening Testimony and Rebuttal Testimony in UG 221, NW Natural Request for a General Rate Revision, pursuant to two specific issues in this case. The issues covered in our Testimony are limited to rate design and decoupling/weather adjusted mechanisms. As indicated in the letter signed by Jason W. Jones to the Administrative Law Judge dated August 14, 2012, the parties in this proceeding have agreed to a settlement in principle that includes both of the aforementioned issues of interest for the NW Energy Coalition. The NW Energy Coalition fully supports the settlement on these issues. Furthermore, we fully expect the formal settlement stipulation to be filed prior to the Commission Hearing scheduled for August 23, 2012, and, therefore, waive our right to produce a pre-hearing brief on these issues. In the event that these issues are not included in the final settlement agreement, we reserve the right to file a post-hearing brief and other filings as appropriate to preserve our legal rights to represent our interests in this case.

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day caused **the Prehearing Brief Waiver of NW Energy Coalition** to be served by electronic mail to those parties whose email addresses appear on the attached service list, and by First Class Mail, postage prepaid and properly addressed, to those parties on the service list who have not waived paper service from OPUC Docket No. UG 221.

DATED this 20th day of August, 2012.



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# Summary Report

## UG 221 NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS

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This filing requests a general rate revision.

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