ISSUED: May 6, 2011

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

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In the Matter of

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NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY, dba NW NATURAL,

2011 Integrated Resource Plan.

DISPOSITION: MOTION GRANTED; SCHEDULE MODIFIED

By Ruling of April 7, 2011, the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) granted a Motion to Suspend Schedule filed by Northwest Natural Gas Company (NW Natural). The ALJ also ruled that "The Company shall file a written report no later than April 30, 2011, advising the Commission as to the status of its efforts to update the 2011 IRP and a proposed schedule for the remainder of this proceeding."

On April 29, 2011, NW Natural filed a Report on Status and Motion Regarding Schedule (Motion). In the Motion, NW Natural describes the additional modeling and analytic work needed to revise its 2011 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) and its intention to hold a workshop of the Technical Working Group involved in the process. (Motion at 2). NW Natural asks that September 1, 2011, be the date by which NW Natural will file its revised IRP.

However, NW Natural states that it has not yet been able to obtain input from the other parties with respect to the proposed schedule for the remainder of the proceeding and wishes to consult with them before suggesting procedural dates to the ALJ.

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- 1. NW Natural has shown good cause to grant the Motion. The Motion is Granted.
- 2. NW Natural shall file a revised 2011 Integrated Resource Plan with the Commission no later than September 1, 2011.
- 3. NW Natural shall file a proposed schedule for the remainder of the proceeding no later than June 15, 2011.
- 4. All other procedural dates are suspended.

Dated this 6th day of May, 2011, at Salem, Oregon,

Allan J. Arlow

Administrative Law Judge