ISSUED: March 12, 2012

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

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In the Matter of

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY, dba NW NATURAL,

RULING

Request for a General Rate Revision

DISPOSITION: SCHEDULE MODIFIED

On March 7, 2012, the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Oregon filed an uncontested motion to modify the procedural schedule in this docket. The requested schedule proposes dates for briefing and creates more time between the hearing and Commission target decision date.

Staff's proposed schedule is adopted with one modification. Staff proposed August 17, 2012, as the deadline for prehearing briefs. The Commission will be closed on that date because of a mandatory State furlough day. That deadline is moved to August 16, 2012. The other dates are adopted as proposed.

The new procedural schedule is as follows:

NW Natural Surrebuttal Testimony	August 9, 2012
Simultaneous Prehearing Briefs	August 16, 2012
Hearing / Commission Examination	August 23 and 24, 2012
Simultaneous Briefs	September 12, 2012
Simultaneous Reply Briefs	September 19, 2012
Target Date for Commission Order	October 22, 2012

Dated this 12th day of March, 2012, at Salem, Oregon.

Lisa D. Hardie Administrative Law Judge