

ORDER NO. 14 376

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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF OREGON**

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In the Matter of

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS  
COMPANY, dba NW NATURAL,

Updates to Schedule 184, Special Rate  
Adjustment for Gasco Upland Pumping  
Station.

ORDER

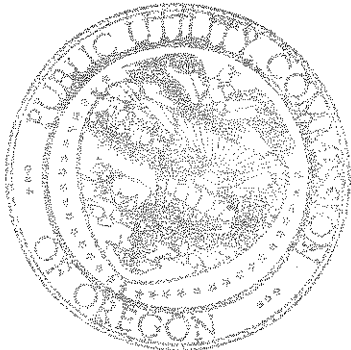
DISPOSITION: STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION ADOPTED

This order memorializes our decision, made and effective at the special public meeting on October 28, 2014, to adopt Staff's recommendation in this matter. The Staff Report with the recommendation is attached as Appendix A.

Dated this 29<sup>th</sup> day of Oct., 2014, at Salem, Oregon.

COMMISSIONER ACKERMAN WAS  
UNAVAILABLE FOR SIGNATURE

**Susan K. Ackerman**  
Chair



*John Savage*  
**John Savage**  
Commissioner

*Stephen M. Bloom*  
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Commissioner

A party may request rehearing or reconsideration of this order under ORS 756.561. A request for rehearing or reconsideration must be filed with the Commission within 60 days of the date of service of this order. The request must comply with the requirements in OAR 860-001-0720. A copy of the request must also be served on each party to the proceedings as provided in OAR 860-001-0180(2). A party may appeal this order by filing a petition for review with the Court of Appeals in compliance with ORS 183.480 through 183.484.

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ITEM NO. CA5

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON  
STAFF REPORT  
PUBLIC MEETING DATE: October 28, 2014

REGULAR \_\_\_\_\_ CONSENT X EFFECTIVE DATE November 1, 2014

DATE: September 17, 2014

TO: Public Utility Commission

FROM: Judy Johnson *JJ*

THROUGH: Jason Eisdorfer and Marc Hellman *A*

SUBJECT: NORTHWEST NATURAL: (Docket No. UG 270/Advice No. 14-17)  
Revises Schedule 184, A Special Rate Adjustment For Gasco Upland Pumping Station.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

I recommend that the Commission approve Northwest Natural's (NW Natural or Company) filing for a rate adjustment for the Gasco Upland Pumping Station.

**DISCUSSION:**

NW Natural makes this filing to apply the permanent rate effects associated with the \$2.5 million of insurance recoveries that offset the capital costs of the Gasco Pumping Station currently reflected in base rates, as stipulated in Docket No. UG 263 and approved by the Commission in Order No. 14-077.

The monthly bill of the average residential Rate Schedule 2 customer will decrease by 5 cents or 0.1 percent, and the monthly bill of the average commercial Rate Schedule 3 customer will decrease by 13 cents or 0.1 percent.

The number of customers affected by the proposed change is 563,128 residential customers, 59,508 commercial customers, and 825 industrial customers. The effect of this filing is to decrease the Company's annual revenues by \$442,992, or about 0.07 percent.

Staff Analysis

Staff has reviewed the filing and finds that calculations are correct. The rate decrease is spread on equal percent of margin. The Company has reviewed this memo and has no issues.

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**PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:**

Northwest Natural's filing be approved and the associated tariff sheets be allowed to take effect on November 1, 2014.

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