



NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY

Environmental Policy

Purpose

Environmental stewardship is one of Northwest Natural's core values.

The company is committed to protecting and enhancing the quality of the natural environment and to operating its business in an increasingly sustainable manner. The company strives to conduct its business consistent with this philosophy and in a manner that reflects its respect for our customers, employees, investors and the public.

This Environmental Policy sets forth the company's expectations for aligning its business practices with its commitment to environmental stewardship.

Application and Oversight

Employees are responsible for performing their assigned work in accordance with this Environmental Policy with the objective of protecting the environment. It is management's responsibility to educate employees in the use of sound environmental practices. The company strives to hold contractors, vendors and suppliers to the same standards of performance regarding activities that may impact the environment and work with our business partners when possible to minimize impacts on the environment.

This Environmental Policy was approved by our Board of Directors. The Public Affairs and Environmental Policy Committee of our Board of Directors oversees implementation of this policy at the board level, and management oversight of this policy is led by the Vice President, Public Affairs and Sustainability.

Policy Statement

Environmental Stewardship

Northwest Natural is committed to managing our assets in an environmentally responsible way.

Northwest Natural works to meet or exceed the requirements of all applicable environmental laws, codes, regulations and standards. We are committed to working constructively with all entities authorized to develop and reform environmental laws and regulations in an effort to create reasonable and more effective policies.

The company is committed to working to improve operating procedures to reduce the impacts of our operations and to protect human health and the environment. The company maintains an environmental management system to ensure environmental compliance programs are in place,

support continuous improvement of these programs, promote coordination across company departments and allow us to monitor our environmental performance.

Climate Commitment and Strategy

The company is committed to helping its customers reduce their impact on the environment by encouraging the efficient use of energy, through the continued direct use of natural gas and by promoting sustainable technologies and practices such as the use of renewable natural gas, hydrogen and voluntary carbon offset products that are consistent with our business model.

Stakeholder Engagement, Communication and Reporting

The company is committed to maintaining active relationships with environmental and sustainability focused organizations and other interested parties, and consulting as appropriate, to develop environmental programs and partnerships that promote innovation, and drive increasingly sustainable practices with the goals of: using natural resources more efficiently, addressing climate change, lowering emissions, reducing releases and waste, minimizing our footprint and improving our communities' quality of life.

We are committed to identifying and assessing environmental issues, risks and opportunities, creating awareness around environmental issues relevant to our business, setting and periodically reviewing environmental goals, and regularly reporting on our progress toward our environmental goals.

Continuous Improvement

The company consistently seeks opportunities to further our commitment to environmental stewardship and to exceed current standards of environmental protection, including pollution prevention, climate protection, and habitat and species protection.

The company will periodically review and evaluate compliance with this policy.

Effective Dates

Approved by the Northwest Natural Board of Directors on April 12, 2010.

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