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**NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY**

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**SCHEDULE 303  
WASHINGTON ENVIRONMENTAL COST RECOVERY MECHANISM**

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**PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this Schedule is to identify adjustments to rates in the Rate Schedules listed below for the amortization of balances in the Washington Environmental Cost Recovery Mechanism account (“ECRM Account”) related to environmental site remediation costs that have been deemed prudent by the Commission, including past deferred manufactured gas plant (MGP) operations costs pursuant to Commission Order 01, in Docket UG-110199.

**TERM:**

Adjustments under this Schedule shall occur annually and continue for a period of one (1) year following the date that the last remediation expenses are incurred, or such other date as the Commission may approve.

**APPLICABLE:**

To all Sales and Transportation Service Customers served under the following Rate Schedules of the Tariff of which Schedule 303 is a part:

Rate Schedule 1	Rate Schedule 41
Rate Schedule 2	Rate Schedule 42
Rate Schedule 3	Rate Schedule 43
Rate Schedule 27	

**DEFINITIONS:**

The following definitions apply to this Schedule:

**Collection Period** is the 12-month period November 1 through October 31 coincident with the Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) Year in which amounts in the ECRM Account will be amortized. Any future change in the PGA Year will automatically carry to the Collection Period under this Schedule.

**Environmental Site Remediation Costs** are all costs that relate to environmental remediation, including for past manufactured gas plant (MGP) operations. Environmental Site Remediation Costs include investigation, testing, sampling, monitoring, removal, disposal, storage, remediation or other treatment of residues, land acquisition if appropriate, litigation costs/expenses or other liabilities excluding personal injury claims relating to MGP sites, disposal sites, sites that otherwise contain contamination that requires remediation for which the Company is responsible, or sites to which material may have migrated.

**SPECIAL CONDITIONS – ECRM ADJUSTMENTS:**

1. All Environmental Site Remediation Costs and any proceeds from insurance companies or other third-parties, will be held in a deferral account. Annually on, or before, July 15, the Company will file with the Commission an ECRM tariff adjustment filing and the Environmental Cost Recovery Mechanism Regulatory Report described in Special Condition 6.

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**SPECIAL CONDITIONS – ECRM ADJUSTMENTS (continued):**

2. One hundred percent of the Washington Customer's share of the deferral account balance deemed prudent will be transferred to an ECRM Account for amortization in each Collection Period.
3. In the event that the amount in the ECRM Account in any Collection Period is negative (a refund), the Company, subject to approval by the Commission, will apply the refund to Customer bills in the next Collection Period. A credit balance may be carried to the next Collection Period if it is determined by the Commission that the credit balance is best used to offset future expected Environmental Site Remediation Costs not yet recorded in the deferral account, or for such other reasons as the Commission may approve.
4. The amounts in the ECRM Account will be amortized and applied to Customer bills based on equal percent of margin by Rate Schedule and Customer class.
5. Any over- or under- collection of the balance in the ECRM Account at the end of a 12-month Collection Period will be retained in the ECRM Account and used to adjust the amount amortized into rates for the subsequent Collection Period.
6. Pursuant to Commission Order 06 in Docket UG-181053, the annual report previously required by Orders 01 and 02 in Docket UG-110199 is renamed the Environmental Cost Recovery Mechanism Regulatory Report and will be filed by the Company by July 15 of every year, wherein the Company will request the Commission review and make a determination of prudence for all prior calendar year Environmental Site Remediation. The report will detail all activity associated with Environmental Site Remediation Costs, including insurance or other third-party proceeds related to remediation activities recorded in the deferral account.

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**APPLICATION TO RATE SCHEDULES:**

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The Total Adjustment amount shown below is included in the Temporary Adjustments reflected in the above-listed Rate Schedules. NO ADDITIONAL ADJUSTMENT TO RATES IS REQUIRED.

Schedule	Block	Adjustment (per therm)	Schedule	Block	Adjustment (per therm)	(I)	(R)
1R		\$0.01644	42C SI	Block 1	\$0.00086		
1C		\$0.01366		Block 2	\$0.00077		
2		\$0.00972		Block 3	\$0.00059		
3C		\$0.00874		Block 4	\$0.00047		
3I		\$0.00783		Block 5	\$0.00032		
27		\$0.00703		Block 6	\$0.00012		
41C FS	Block 1	\$0.00685	42I SI	Block 1	\$0.00101		
	Block 2	\$0.00603		Block 2	\$0.00090		
41C IS	Block 1	\$0.00610		Block 3	\$0.00069		
	Block 2	\$0.00537		Block 4	\$0.00055		
41C FT	Block 1	\$0.00716		Block 5	\$0.00037		
	Block 2	\$0.00631		Block 6	\$0.00014		
41I FT	Block 1	\$0.00635	42 CTF	Block 1	\$0.00042		
	Block 2	\$0.00560		Block 2	\$0.00037		
41I FS	Block 1	\$0.00618		Block 3	\$0.00028		
	Block 2	\$0.00545		Block 4	\$0.00023		
41I SI	Block 1	\$0.00627		Block 5	\$0.00015		
	Block 2	\$0.00553		Block 6	\$0.00006		
42C SF	Block 1	\$0.00111	42 ITF	Block 1	\$0.00052		
	Block 2	\$0.00099		Block 2	\$0.00046		
	Block 3	\$0.00076		Block 3	\$0.00035		
	Block 4	\$0.00061		Block 4	\$0.00028		
	Block 5	\$0.00041		Block 5	\$0.00019		
	Block 6	\$0.00015		Block 6	\$0.00007		
42I SF	Block 1	\$0.00134	42C TI	Block 1	\$0.00245		
	Block 2	\$0.00120		Block 2	\$0.00219		
	Block 3	\$0.00092		Block 3	\$0.00168		
	Block 4	\$0.00074		Block 4	\$0.00134		
	Block 5	\$0.00049		Block 5	\$0.00090		
	Block 6	\$0.00018		Block 6	\$0.00034		
43TF		\$0.00091	42I TI	Block 1	\$0.00049		
43TI		\$0.00034		Block 2	\$0.00044		
				Block 3	\$0.00034		
				Block 4	\$0.00027		
				Block 5	\$0.00018		
				Block 6	\$0.00007		

**GENERAL TERMS:**

This Schedule is governed by the terms of this Schedule, the General Rules and Regulations contained in this Tariff, any other schedules that by their terms or by the terms of this Schedule apply to service under this Schedule, and by all rules and regulations prescribed by regulatory authorities, as amended from time to time.

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