

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF OREGON**

LC 51

In the Matter of

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS
COMPANY, dba NW NATURAL,

2013 Annual Update to Company's 2011
Modified Integrated Resource Plan.

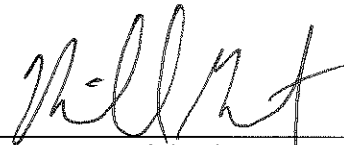
RULING

DISPOSITION: DOCKET CLOSED

On July 16, 2013, Northwest Natural Gas Company, dba NW Natural, amended its 2013 Update to its Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) to remove its request for acknowledgement of work related to the development of a regional cross-Cascades pipeline. NW Natural explains that it has decided to retract its request as part of this IRP Update and, instead, address the matter as part of its full 2014 IRP. Along with its amended filing, NW Natural requests that this docket be closed. Commission Staff and the Citizens' Utility Board of Oregon support NW Natural's request.

Because NW Natural is no longer seeking Commission action on its 2013 IRP Update, this docket is no longer necessary. Accordingly, NW Natural's request to close docket LC 51 is granted.

Dated this 22nd day of July 2013, at Salem, Oregon.



Michael Grant

Chief Administrative Law Judge