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Mike Gardner promoted to executive vice president and general manager of Cascade Natural Gas

SEATTLE, WASH. – Sept. 16, 2008 – Mike Gardner has been named executive vice president and general manager of Cascade Natural Gas, effective Oct. 1. Gardner will oversee the day-to-day operations of Cascade and will be based in the Seattle office.

“Mike has done an outstanding job over the years and we have every confidence that he will transition well into this leadership role,” said Dave Goodin, president and chief executive officer of Cascade Natural Gas. “Mike’s background and experience will serve him well in his new role.”

Gardner joined Cascade in 1991 and has held a number of different positions within the company in the areas of engineering, safety, training, operations and district management. He has a bachelor’s degree in mechanical engineering and a master’s degree in business administration from the University of Washington. He is a registered professional engineer in Washington.

Mike and his wife, Karin, live in Seattle. Mike is a board member of the Northwest Gas Association, an operation executives committee member with the American Gas Association and is a volunteer with the American Cancer Society.

Cascade Natural Gas is a natural gas distribution company serving approximately 252,000 residential, commercial, industrial and transportation customers in 93 communities in Washington and Oregon. Cascade is a subsidiary of MDU Resources Group, Inc., a multidimensional natural resources enterprise traded on the New York Stock Exchange as “MDU.” For more information MDU Resources, visit the company’s Web site at www.mdu.com. For more information about Cascade, visit www.cngc.com.

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