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Cascade Natural Gas Corporation is investing \$350,000 for natural gas pipeline expansion in Southwest Yakima.

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(Yakima, WA) – (November 18, 2008)

Cascade Natural Gas Corporation announced today that it will invest \$350,000 to install a new natural gas main in Southwest Yakima to add additional capacity to the area. The new natural gas main will extend from an existing main on SW 64th Avenue down to Occidental and head west on the north side of Occidental Road with a project length of 6,050 feet. Cascade is installing a new 4” plastic main along with a 4” steel main meant for future high pressure. This design ensures future capacity, while maintaining the ease of adding new customers without individual regulator stations. It also enhances the reliability of natural gas service and builds a safer system. Construction started on November 17, 2008. Lane closures are expected during construction.

“We thank the City of Yakima, as well as the businesses and residents along the construction route for their patience and understanding,” said Jeff Staudenmaier, Cascade’s General Manager for the Yakima District. “Cascade also appreciates the generosity of Steve and Pat Strosahl of United Builders for giving Cascade a land use permit for staging areas during construction.”

The natural gas pipeline expansion in Southwest Yakima, along with the ongoing Reinforcement Project in West Yakima, reinforces Cascade’s commitment to meet and encourage growth in the surrounding area.

For more information contact Mike Clapp or Jeff Staudenmaier at the Yakima office of Cascade Natural Gas Corporation at 1.888.522.1130

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