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Jeff Killip  
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RE: NEW, Cascade Advice No. W25-04-01  
Schedule 520, Provisional Plant Rate Adjustment

Director Killip

Cascade Natural Gas Corporation ("Cascade" or "Company") submits to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission ("Commission") the following revisions to its Tariff WN U-3, stated to become effective with service on and after June 1, 2025:

Original Sheet No. 520.1

This filing establishes Schedule 520, Provisional Plant Rate Adjustment, to reduce customer rates beginning June 1, 2025, so customers will not pay forecasted provisional plant costs that Cascade did not incur in 2024. Per Commission Order No. 05 ("Final Order") issued in Docket UG-240008, Cascade's most recent multi-year rate plan ("MYRP"), the Commission authorized the inclusion of \$97,736,858 into rate base for the recovery of plant forecasted to be in service in 2024. The forecasted plant was considered provisional, subject to being placed in service and a prudence review. Based on the Company's Annual Provisional Plant Report, filed in Docket UG-240008 on the same day as this filing, the actual amount of plant placed in service in 2024 was \$67,984,747, which results in a revenue requirement reduction of \$3,710,322. This filing seeks to apply a credit to customers' bills that will reduce revenues by \$3.7 million beginning June 1, 2025.

The Schedule 520 rate adjustment will reduce collections so that Cascade is not collecting and holding money that inevitably will need to be returned to customers. Customers will see an immediate benefit with the implementation of Schedule 520, which will be a separately itemized bill credit, acting like a reduction to the customer's delivery charge.

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Cascade acknowledges that implementing an adjustment rate for known non-expenditures will not circumvent any of the Commission's prudence review of all provisional plant costs and that the Commission may disallow more than is included in the Schedule 520 rates proposed herein.

Cascade has evaluated its internal processes to better calibrate its planning and implementation schedules. The Company believes alignment will be found in its new Project Management group, which was formed in 2024 and began oversight of facilities projects in January 2025. A project manager will be responsible for overseeing the planning, design, review, execution, and documentation of a facilities project. The project manager will lead the project from construction plan development to the concluding project closeout and will be responsible for managing the project schedule and budget. Cascade believes that the Project Management group with its staff dedicated to shepherding projects to completion will improve Cascade's ability to complete projects on schedule and within budget.

Schedule 520 rate adjustment will be applicable to all rate classes, meaning it will impact 320,552 Washington customers. Rate reductions per customer class are provided below in Table 1.

*Table 1 - Bill Impacts by Customer Class*

Customer Class	Current Monthly Bill	Proposed Monthly Difference	Proposed Bill Impact
Residential (RS 504)	\$107.56	-\$0.72	-0.67%
Commercial (RS 504)	\$514.90	-\$2.84	-0.55%
Industrial (RS 505)	\$3,496.74	-\$14.07	-0.40%
Large Volume (RS 511)	\$23,779.00	-\$79.93	-0.34%
Interruptible (RS 570)	\$38,538.59	-\$85.15	-0.22%
Transportation (RS 663)	\$124,264.93	-\$645.85	-0.52%

The attached workpaper ("NEW-CNGC-Advice-No.-W25-04-01-ProvisionalPlant-WP-04-30-2025.pdf") presents the portion of Commission-authorized funding projects costs that Cascade seeks to cease collecting as of June 1, 2025.

This filing does not address the overcollection that began with the March 5, 2025, effective date of the approved MYRP rates and will cease May 31, 2025, if Schedule 520 is approved. Cascade expects the three-month overcollection will be addressed during the Commission's annual provisional plant prudence review that commences with the Company's filing of its Annual Provisional Plant Report, required per the Final Order. Cascade proposes that future provisional plant collections and refunds be handled via the proposed Schedule 520, which would be adjusted accordingly.

A Certificate of Service is attached stating that parties to Docket UG-240008 were provided notice of this filing.

This electronic filing is comprised of the following files:

- NEW-CNGC-Advice-No.-W25-04-01-Sch-520-CLtr-04-30-2025.pdf
- NEW--CNGC-Advice-No.-W25-04-01-Sch-520-Trf-04-30-2025pdf
- NEW--CNGC-Advice-No.-W25-04-01-Sch-520-COS-04-30-2025
- NEW--CNGC-Advice-No.-W25-04-01-Sch-520-WP-04-30-2025.xlsx

Please direct any questions regarding this filing to me at (208) 377-6015 or Zach Harris at (208) 870-2476.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Lori Blattner*

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Attachments

# CASCADE NATURAL GAS CORPORATION

WN U-3

Original Sheet No. 520

## SCHEDULE 520 PROVISIONAL PLANT RATE ADJUSTMENT

### PURPOSE

This schedule adjusts provisionally approved rates, subject to refund, approved in the Company's most recent multi-year rate plan.

### APPLICABILITY

This adjustment schedule applies to the following rate schedules: 503, 504, 505, 511, 570, 663, and 900.

### ADJUSTMENT RATE

The following adjustment rates will apply on a per therm basis for each rate schedule as listed in the table below:

Rate Schedule	Per Therm Adjustment Rate
503	-\$0.01354
504	-\$0.01026
505	
First 500 therms	-\$0.00789
Next 3,500 therms	-\$0.00653
Over 4,000 therms	-\$0.00633
511	
First 20,00 therms	-\$0.00569
Next 80,000 therms	-\$0.00447
Over 100,00 therms	-\$0.00143
570	
First 30,000 therms	-\$0.00341
Over 30,000 therms	-\$0.00128
663/900	
First 100,000 therms	-\$0.00323
Next 200,000 therms	-\$0.00131
Next 200,000 therms	-\$0.00088
Over 500,000 therms	-\$0.00053

### GENERAL TERMS

Service under this adjustment schedule is governed by the terms and conditions outlined in this schedule, the Rules contained in this Tariff, any other applicable schedules, and all rules and regulations prescribed by regulatory authorities, subject to amendments from time to time.

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Issued April 30, 2025

Effective for Service on and after  
June 1, 2025

Issued by CASCADE NATURAL GAS CORPORATION

By:  Lori A. Blattner

Director, Regulatory Affairs

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have this day served to all parties listed below via electronic transmission mail Cascade Natural Gas Corporation's Advice No. W25-04-01, which seeks to establish Schedule 520, Provisional Plant Rate Adjustment.

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.  
Dated at Kennewick, Washington, this 30th day of April 2025.

/s/ Jake Betterbed

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