AMENDMENT NUMBER SEVEN
TO THE ENERGY FACILITY SITE CERTIFICATE
FOR THE NORTHWEST NATURAL
MIST UNDERGROUND NATURAL GAS STORAGE FACILITY

This amendment number seven to the Energy Facility Site Certificate for the Northwest Natural Mist Underground Gas Storage Facility is issued and executed pursuant to the Order in the Matter of the Application for Amendment by Northwest Natural for amendment number seven to its site certificate for the Mist Underground Natural Gas Storage Facility between the State of Oregon (State) acting by and through its Energy Facility Siting Council (EFSC or “the Council”) and Northwest Natural Co. (NWN), an Oregon corporation.

The amendment authorizes NWN to increase the allowed throughput at the Mist storage facility from 190 million cubic feet per day (MMcfd) to 245 MMcfd. The amendment does not authorize construction of new facilities other than those previously allowed by amendment six to the site certificate.

The findings of fact, reasoning and conclusions of law underlying the terms and conditions of this amendment are set forth in the Council’s Final Order Approving Amendment Number Seven which was issued on November 17, 2000 and which by this reference is incorporated herein.

I. DESCRIPTION OF THE AMENDMENT

Amendment #7 increases the allowed throughput from 190 MMcfd to 245 MMcfd. This increase does not change the site or require new equipment at Miller station.

In March 1999, the Council approved amendment #6 to the site certificate. Under amendment #6, NWN developed an area within the Calvin Creek area called the Reichhold Pool. The new pool added 45 MMcfd to the throughput at Miller station. NWN also increased gas dehydration and metering capacity. In connection with the development of the new pool, EFSC reviewed and permitted the installation of one new 12 inch line gathering line plus 6 and 8 inch feeder lines as part of amendment #6.

In its request for amendment #7, NWN proposes to construct approximately 525 feet of new 12 inch gathering lines that would serve the Reichhold pool. These gathering lines were already studied and authorized under amendment #6. This amendment #7 does not authorize construction of gathering lines other than those studied and authorized under amendment #6.

II. CONDITIONS REQUIRED FOR AMENDMENT

The Site Certificate is hereby amended to permit operation at 245 MMcfd. One site certificate condition shall be amended as follows:

Site Specific Conditions Under 345-027-0023
(4) The Site Certificate shall specify the site boundary and total permitted daily throughput of the facility. The site boundary is as specified in Exhibit 2 to the Application for Amendment #7; the total permitted daily throughput of the facility is 245 MMcf/d.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, this Site Certificate Amendment has been executed by the State of Oregon, acting by and through its Energy Facility Siting Council and Northwest Natural Co.

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