

Ref. No. Docket PG-041601

February 2, 2005

Michael S. McCoy  
Executive Vice President  
Northwest Natural Gas Company  
220 Northwest Second Avenue  
One Pacific Square  
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Dear Mr. McCoy:

**Subject: 2004 Standard Natural Gas Inspection-Columbia Gorge District**

Thank you for your letter dated January 18, 2005 responding to Commission Staff findings related to the inspection of Northwest Natural's (NWN) Columbia Gorge district facilities and operations between September 20 - 24, 2004.

Staff would like to thank NWN for their prompt response in addressing Staff's findings by immediately installing pipeline markers on the Greenleaf Creek bridge crossing and by addressing the seven areas of concern or recommendations. Please note that the docket will be closed as of February 2, 2005.

If Staff may be of further assistance, please contact Scott Rukke at (360) 664-1241.

Sincerely,

Alan E. Rathbun  
Pipeline Safety Director