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January 30, 2006

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Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration
Room N-1513
U. S. Department of Labor
200 Constitution Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20210

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**Re: Cascade Natural Gas Corporation Executive Deferred Compensation Plan -
Statement of Alternative Compliance**

Dear Sirs:

On behalf of the Cascade Natural Gas Corporation (the "Company"), we are filing this statement of alternative compliance under 29 CFR § 2520.104-23 for the plan referenced above. The following information is supplied to comply with the regulation:

- A. Declaration of purpose: The Company maintains the plan primarily for the purpose of providing deferred compensation for a select group of management or highly compensated employees.
- B. Employer Name and Address:

Cascade Natural Gas Corporation
222 Fairview Avenue North
Seattle, WA 98109
- C. Employer identification number: 91-0599090
- D. Number of plans: Including this plan, the Company has 2 plans for a select group of management or highly compensated employees.
- E. Number of participants: This plan presently has 2 participants. The Company's other plan that covers a select group of management or highly compensated employees, the Executive Supplemental Retirement Income Plan has 12 participants.

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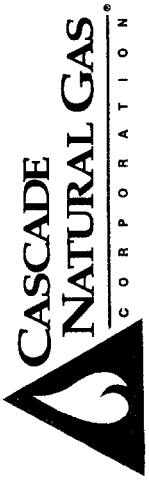
Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions about the plan or about this filing.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Larry C. Rosok". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Larry C. Rosok
Vice President Human Resources &
Corporate Secretary

Cc: Richard A. Hopp – Stoel Rives LLP



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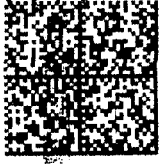
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