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CERTIFIED MAIL

February 20, 2015

Grant M. Yoshihara
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Northwest Natural
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Dear Mr. Yoshihara:

**RE: 2014 Natural Gas Control Room Management Inspection – Northwest Natural,
Headquarters – (Insp. No. 6057)**

Staff from the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (staff) conducted a Control Room Management Inspection from December 15 to 17, 2014, of Northwest Natural (NWN), Headquarters. The inspection included a manual review and inspection of the control room facilities.

No apparent violations were noted as a result of the inspection. This inspection will be closed as of February 20, 2015.

For efficiency and other reasons, the UTC staff conducted this inspection jointly with representatives from the Oregon Public Utilities Commission. However, as you are aware, each of these commissions has separate gas pipeline safety jurisdiction over NWN and each commission will make its own decision regarding the exercise of that jurisdiction regarding this inspection. Therefore, this letter is from the State of Washington, Utilities and Transportation Commission only.

Staff would like to thank NWN's personnel for their professionalism and cooperation during this inspection.

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If you have any questions, or if we may be of any assistance, please contact Lex Vinsel at (360) 664-1319.

Sincerely,



David D. Lykken
Pipeline Safety Director

cc: Kerry F. Shampine, Manager, Code Compliance, Northwest Natural