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Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. PR09-9-000]

Northwest Natural Gas Company; Notice of Petition for Rate Approval

December 17, 2008.

Take notice that on December 11, 2008, Northwest Natural Gas Company (NW Natural) filed pursuant to section 9 of the Natural Gas Act and sections 284.224 and 284.123(b)(2) of the Commission's regulations, a petition requesting that the Commission approve NW Natural's revised depreciation rates for firm and interruptible storage and related transportation services. NW Natural does not propose to make any changes to its existing maximum rates approved by letter order, dated August 22, 2008, in Docket No. PR08-19-000.

Any person desiring to participate in this rate proceeding must file a motion to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be

taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the date as indicated below. Anyone filing an intervention or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant. Anyone filing an intervention or protest on or before the intervention or protest date need not serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

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Project Nos. 13123-000; 12509-001]

Eagle Crest Energy Company; Notice of Scoping Meetings and Site Visit

December 17, 2008.

a. *Type of Filing:* Notice of Intent to File a License Application; Pre-Application Document; and Request to Use the Traditional Licensing Process.

b. *Project Nos.:* 13123-000 and 12509-001¹.

c. *Dated Filed:* October 16, 2008.

¹ Previously, the project was given FERC Project No. 12509-001. Upon issuance of a new preliminary permit on August 13, 2008, the project was given FERC Project No. 13123-000.

d. *Submitted By:* Eagle Crest Energy Company (Eagle Crest).

e. *Name of Project:* Eagle Mountain Pumped Storage Project.

f. *Location:* The Eagle Mountain Project would be located at two depleted mining pits in the Eagle Mountain Mine in Riverside County, California, near the town of Desert Center, California.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* 18 CFR Part 5 of the Commission's Regulations.

h. *Applicant Contact:* Arthur Lowe, Eagle Crest Energy Company, 1 El Paso, Suite 204, Palm Desert, California 92260.

i. *FERC Contact:* Kim Nguyen (202) 502-6105 or e-mail kim.nguyen@ferc.gov.

j. Eagle Crest filed Pre-Application Document (PAD) and draft License Application (LA) for the Eagle Mountain Pumped Storage Project, including proposed process plan and schedule, with the Commission pursuant to 18 CFR 5.6 of the Commission's regulations.

k. Copies of the PAD, draft LA, and Scoping Document 1 (SD1) are available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>), using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number, excluding the last three digits, in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. The applicant maintains a project Web site with meeting information <http://www.eaglemountainenergy.net>.

Register online at <http://ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm> to be notified via e-mail of new filings and issuances related to these or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

l. With this notice, we are soliciting comments on SD1. In addition, all comments on the PAD, draft LA, and SD1, study requests, requests for cooperating agency status, and all communications to Commission staff related to the merits of the potential applications (original and eight copies) must be filed with the Commission at the following address: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. All filings with the Commission relevant to the Eagle Mountain Hydroelectric Project must include on the first page, the project name and number (P-13123-000), and bear the heading, as appropriate, "Comments on Scoping