NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS CO

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obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ANDERSON DAVID HUGO			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
	NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS ([NWN]		(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	Director 10% Owner		
			(Month/Day/Year)	X Officer (give title Other (spec below) below)		
220 NW SECOND AVENUE			03/31/2014	Executive VP & COO		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)		
PORTLAND,	OR 97209			_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

							Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)				5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/31/2014		M	8,000 (1)	A	\$ 34.29	55,261.7573	D	
Common Stock	03/31/2014		S	6,889	D	\$ 43.996 (1)	48,372.7573	D	
Common Stock							785.6668	I	See Footnote
Common Stock							2,462.875	I	See Footnote (3)

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number opp Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option to Buy	\$ 34.29	03/31/2014		M	8,000	01/01/2010	02/29/2016	Common Stock	8,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ANDERSON DAVID HUGO 220 NW SECOND AVENUE PORTLAND, OR 97209

Executive VP & COO

Signatures

Shawn M. Filippi, Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Da

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- David H. Anderson exercised an option to purchase 8,000 shares at \$34.29 each and then sold 6,889 of those shares at prices ranging from \$43.95 to \$44.013, resulting in an average price of \$43.996 on March 31, 2014 to generate the proceeds required to purchase the remaining 1,111 shares of the Company common stock under the option. After completion of this transaction, Mr. Anderson held 48,372.7573 shares of the Company's common stock directly, and 3,248.5418 shares of the Company's common stock indirectly.
- (2) Shares have been credited to reporting person's account under the issuer's Retirement K Savings Plan as of March 31, 2014.

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(3) Shares have been credited to reporting person's account under the issuer's Deferred Compensation Plan for Directors and Executives. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, <i>see</i> Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.