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August 27, 2020

Ms. Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20426

Re: Northwest Pipeline LLC  
Docket No. RP20-

Dear Ms. Bose:

Pursuant to Part 154 of the regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“Commission” or “FERC”), Northwest Pipeline LLC (“Northwest”) tenders for filing and acceptance the following tariff sheet as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Fifth Revised Volume No. 1 (“Tariff”):

Twenty-Seventh Revised Sheet No. 14

By this filing, Northwest proposes to decrease its fuel reimbursement factor (“Factor”) for Northwest's transportation services under Rate Schedules TF-1<sup>1</sup>, TF-2, TI-1 and DEX-1 from 0.91% to 0.88%. The Factor provides in-kind reimbursement to Northwest for fuel gas used and gas lost and unaccounted-for (“L&U”) in its transmission system operations.

***Statement of Nature, Reasons and Basis for the Filing***

Northwest is submitting this filing to comply with Section 14.12 of the General Terms and Conditions (“GT&C”) contained in Northwest’s Tariff, which requires the Factor for the transportation rate schedules to be determined semi-annually to become effective on April 1 and October 1 of each year.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> In addition to the Rate Schedule TF-1 Factor, a fixed 0.50% Evergreen Expansion Incremental Surcharge applies to the quantity of gas nominated for receipt at the Sumas, SIPI, or Pacific Pool receipt points under Evergreen Expansion service agreements.

<sup>2</sup> Factors for Northwest’s storage rate schedules SGS-2F, SGS-2I, LS-2F, LS-3F, LS-2I and LD-4I are determined annually to become effective April 1 of each year.

Northwest typically bases its projected transportation quantities, fuel usage and L&U on historical averages. Northwest has continued to use that methodology in making the current projections for its Factor.

The proposed 0.88% Factor is designed to recover the anticipated fuel usage and L&U, and to true-up the variance between fuel reimbursed and fuel used (including L&U) for prior periods. This Factor is proposed to be used during the upcoming October 2020 through March 2021 period for transportation services under Rate Schedules TF-1, TF-2, TI-1 and DEX-1. The attached Exhibit A and Appendix included herein show the data and formulas used to derive the proposed Factors.

### ***Filings Pending Before the Commission***

In compliance with 18 CFR § 154.204(f), Northwest states that it has no other tariff filings pending before the Commission that may significantly impact this filing.

### ***Effective Date and Waiver Request***

Northwest hereby moves that the proposed Tariff sheet be made effective October 1, 2020, or at the end of any suspension period which may be imposed by the Commission. Northwest requests that the Commission grant any waivers it may deem necessary for the acceptance of this filing.

### ***Procedural Matters***

Pursuant to the applicable provisions in Section 154 of the Commission's regulations, Northwest submits an eTariff .xml filing package, containing the following items:

- Proposed tariff sheet,
- Marked tariff sheet, and
- Transmittal letter & Combined Work Papers.

### ***Service and Communications***

In compliance with 18 CFR § 154.7(b), Northwest certifies that copies of this filing have been served electronically upon Northwest's customers and upon interested state regulatory commissions.

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All communications regarding this filing should be served by e-mail to:

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The undersigned certifies that the contents of this filing are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief and he possesses full power and authority to sign this filing.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures

STATEMENT OF FUEL USE REQUIREMENTS FACTORS  
FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF FUEL USE

Applicable to Transportation Service Rendered Under  
Rate Schedules Contained in this Tariff, Fifth Revised Volume No. 1

The rates set forth on Sheet Nos. 5, 6, 7, 8 and 8-A are exclusive of fuel use requirements. Shipper shall reimburse Transporter in-kind for its fuel use requirements in accordance with Section 14 of the General Terms and Conditions contained herein.

The fuel use reimbursement furnished by Shippers shall be as follows for the applicable Rate Schedules included in this Tariff:

Rate Schedules TF-1, TF-2, TI-1, and DEX-1	0.9188%
Rate Schedule TF-1 - Evergreen Expansion	
Incremental Surcharge (1)	0.50%
Rate Schedule TFL-1	-
Rate Schedule TIL-1	-
Rate Schedules SGS-2F and SGS-2I	0.20%
Rate Schedules LS-2F, LS-3F and LS-2I	
Liquefaction	0.25%
Vaporization	0.14%
Rate Schedule LD-4I	
Liquefaction	0.25%

The fuel use factors set forth above shall be calculated and adjusted as explained in Section 14 of the General Terms and Conditions. Fuel reimbursement quantities to be supplied by Shippers to Transporter shall be determined by applying the factors set forth above to the quantity of gas nominated for receipt by Transporter from Shipper for transportation, Jackson Prairie injection, Plymouth liquefaction, Plymouth vaporization, or for deferred exchange, as applicable.

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Derivation of Fuel Factors to be Effective October 1, 2020

(Section No. refers to the General Terms and Conditions of Northwest's Tariff)

Calculation for Rate Schedules TF-1, TF-2, TI-1, DEX-1

Line No.	Section No.	Description	Dth	Note No.
1	14.12(a)	Average Oct. - Mar. fuel usage during last three seasons	5,473,872	(i)
2	14.12(h)	Elimination of Projected Evergreen Expansion incremental surcharge reimbursement	(39,220)	(vi)
3	14.12(g)	Cumulative under / (over)-recovery of fuel as of Jun. 30, 2020	(609,036)	(ii)
4		Total projected fuel usage	4,825,616	
5	14.12(b)	Average projected lost and unaccounted-for gas (gain)	(146,303)	(iii)
6	14.12(g)	Cumulative under / (over)-recovery of L&U as of Jun. 30, 2020	(594,291)	(iv)
7		Total projected lost and unaccounted-for gas	(740,594)	
8	14.12(c)	Quantities to be credited by Northwest	-	
9	14.12(e)	Total projected fuel and lost and unaccounted-for gas	4,085,022	
10	14.12(d)	Projected transportation receipts	464,094,808	(v)
11	14.12(e)	Factor (line 9 divided by line 10)	0.88%	

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(i) Fuel usage projected as follows:

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Actual Oct. 2019 - Mar. 2020 fuel usage	6,066,665
Actual Oct. 2018 - Mar. 2019 fuel usage	5,892,613
Actual Oct. 2017 - Mar. 2018 fuel usage	4,462,338
Average Oct. - Mar. fuel usage during last three seasons	5,473,872

(ii) Fuel usage true-up adjustment calculated as follows:

Cumulative under / (over)-recovery of fuel as of Dec. 31, 2019 per true-up adj. in Apr. 1, 2020 filing	(740,411)
Actual Jan. - Jun. 2020 fuel usage	5,647,940
Fuel Adjustment	
Total before fuel reimbursements	4,907,529

Actual Jan. - Jun. 2020 fuel reimbursements		
General system reimbursements	5,468,144	
Evergreen Expansion incremental surcharge reimbursements	48,421	
Transactions Pursuant to GT&C Section 32	-	(1)
Total Fuel Reimbursements	5,516,565	
Cumulative under / (over)-recovery of fuel as of Jun. 30, 2020	(609,036)	

(1) Northwest does not have any transactions pursuant to GT&C Section 32 that need to be recovered in this filing.

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Calculation for Rate Schedules TF-1, TF-2, TI-1, DEX-1

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(iii) Lost and unaccounted-for gas projected as follows:	
Twelve months ended Jun. 2020 actual lost and unaccounted-for gas (gain)	(866,835)
Twelve months ended Jun. 2019 actual lost and unaccounted-for gas (gain)	5,829
Twelve months ended Jun. 2018 actual lost and unaccounted-for gas (gain)	(16,814)
Average twelve months lost and unaccounted-for gas during last three years	<u>(292,607)</u>
Six month lost and unaccounted-for gas (gain) (twelve month average divided by 2)	(146,303)
Out of period adjustments or other forecast adjustments	-
Average projected lost and unaccounted-for gas (gain)	<u>(146,303)</u>
(iv) Lost and unaccounted-for gas true-up adjustment determined as follows:	
Cumulative under / (over)-recovery of L&U as of Dec. 31, 2019 per true-up adj. in Apr. 1, 2020 filing	(565,265)
Actual Jan. - Jun. 2020 lost and unaccounted-for gas	(495,824)
Total under / (over)-recovery	<u>(1,061,089)</u>
Less: allocations of reimbursements between Jan - Jun. 2020 for lost and unaccounted-for gas	(466,798)
Cumulative under / (over)-recovery of L&U as of Jun. 30, 2020	<u>(594,291)</u>
(v) Transportation receipt quantities projected as follows:	
Actual Oct. 2019 - Mar. 2020 delivered transportation	488,922,976
Actual Oct. 2018 - Mar. 2019 delivered transportation	455,838,471
Actual Oct. 2017 - Mar. 2018 delivered transportation	435,150,251
Average Oct. - Mar. delivered transportation during last three seasons	<u>459,970,566</u>
Projected Oct. 2020 - Mar. 2021 delivered transportation	459,970,566
Projected Oct. 2020 - Mar. 2021 fuel and lost and unaccounted-for gas receipts	4,085,022
Projected Evergreen Expansion incremental surcharge reimbursement	39,220
Projected transportation receipts	<u>464,094,808</u>
(vi) Evergreen Expansion incremental surcharge reimbursement projected as follows:	
Actual Oct. 2019 - Mar. 2020 delivered transportation	10,565,263
Actual Oct. 2018 - Mar. 2019 delivered transportation	4,974,577
Actual Oct. 2017 - Mar. 2018 delivered transportation	7,667,692
Average Oct. - Mar. delivered transportation during last three seasons	<u>7,735,844</u>
Projected Oct. 2020 - Mar. 2021 delivered transportation.	7,735,844
Projected Oct. 2020 - Mar. 2021 fuel and lost and unaccounted-for gas receipts using a factor of 0.88% plus 0.50% incremental surcharge	108,248
Projected Oct. 2020 - Mar. 2021 receipts for Evergreen Expansion shippers	7,844,092
Evergreen Expansion incremental surcharge	0.50%
Projected Evergreen Expansion incremental surcharge reimbursement	<u>39,220</u>

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Detail of 2020 Actuals Used to Derive Fuel Factors to be Effective October 1, 2020

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Month	Transportation			Adjusted Volumes	Reimbursements	
	Fuel Usage	Delivered Transportation	Lost and Unaccounted		System-Wide	Evergreen
Jan-20	1,235,519	86,983,453	(46,283)	-	1,083,147	9,689
Feb-20	1,058,212	77,484,983	(78,738)	-	1,020,283	8,017
Mar-20	751,899	75,612,871	(123,319)	-	908,807	5,820
	<u>3,045,630</u>	<u>240,081,307</u>	<u>(248,340)</u>	-	<u>3,012,237</u>	<u>23,526</u>
Apr-20	1,164,991	64,391,606	(91,630)	-	887,076	10,555
May-20	955,840	55,684,955	(135,574)	-	590,918	7,794
Jun-20	481,479	49,731,135	(20,280)	-	511,115	6,546
	<u>2,602,310</u>	<u>169,807,696</u>	<u>(247,484)</u>	-	<u>1,989,109</u>	<u>24,895</u>
Total	<u>5,647,940</u>	<u>409,889,003</u>	<u>(495,824)</u>	-	<u>5,001,346</u>	<u>48,421</u>

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Detail of 2020 Actuals Used to Derive Fuel Factors to be Effective October 1, 2020

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Allocation of January - June 2020 Transportation Reimbursements

Jan. - Mar. 2020 reimbursements allocated between fuel usage and lost and unaccounted-for gas based on projections and true-ups included in the Oct. 1, 2019 Factor calculation:

Allocation of Projections and True-ups:

Projected fuel usage	5,108,446	100.19%
Projected lost and unaccounted-for gas	<u>(9,626)</u>	<u>-0.19%</u>
Total projections (includes true-ups)	<u>5,098,820</u>	<u>100.00%</u>

Allocation of Reimbursements to:

	<u>Fuel</u>	<u>Lost and Unaccounted</u>	<u>Total</u>
Actual Reimbursements			3,012,237
Allocated percentage	100.19%	-0.19%	100.00%
Allocated reimbursements	<u>3,017,960</u>	<u>(5,723)</u>	<u>3,012,237</u>

Apr. - Jun. 2020 reimbursements allocated between fuel usage and lost and unaccounted-for gas based on projections and true-ups included in the Apr. 1, 2020 Factor calculation:

Allocation of Projections and True-ups:

Projected fuel usage	4,005,012	123.18%
Projected lost and unaccounted-for gas	<u>(753,633)</u>	<u>-23.18%</u>
Total projections (includes true-ups)	<u>3,251,379</u>	<u>100.00%</u>

Allocation of Reimbursements to:

	<u>Fuel</u>	<u>Lost and Unaccounted</u>	<u>Total</u>
Actual Reimbursements			1,989,109
Allocated percentage	123.18%	-23.18%	100.00%
Allocated reimbursements	<u>2,450,184</u>	<u>(461,075)</u>	<u>1,989,109</u>

Total Jan. - Jun. 2020 Allocated Transportation Reimbursements

Allocation of Reimbursements to:

	<u>Fuel</u>	<u>Lost and Unaccounted</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>%</u>
Jan. - Mar. 2020	3,017,960	(5,723)	3,012,237	109.33%
Apr. - Jun. 2020	2,450,184	(461,075)	1,989,109	-9.33%
	<u>5,468,144</u>	<u>(466,798)</u>	<u>5,001,346</u>	<u>100.00%</u>

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Detail of Actuals Used to Derive Fuel Factors to be Effective October 1, 2020

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Monthly Detail of Historical Transportation Actuals Used to Derive Forecast

<u>Month</u>	<u>Transportation</u>			<u>Delivered Evergreen 25 Contracts</u> (1)
	<u>Fuel Usage</u>	<u>Delivered Transportation</u>	<u>Lost and Unaccounted</u>	
Jul-19			(77,194)	
Aug-19			29,137	
Sep-19			63,349	
Oct-19	770,773	73,382,084	(81,777)	1,983,986
Nov-19	983,781	83,104,785	(5,723)	1,878,027
Dec-19	1,266,481	92,354,800	(298,803)	1,905,733
Jan-20	1,235,519	86,983,453	(46,283)	1,576,882
Feb-20	1,058,212	77,484,983	(78,738)	1,144,677
Mar-20	751,899	75,612,871	(123,319)	2,075,958
Apr-20			(91,630)	
May-20			(135,574)	
Jun-20			(20,280)	
	<u>6,066,665</u>	<u>488,922,976</u>	<u>(866,835)</u>	<u>10,565,263</u>
Jul-18			(8,894)	
Aug-18			(8,227)	
Sep-18			(116,752)	
Oct-18	773,749	60,852,834	193,100	841,435
Nov-18	913,464	69,017,308	83,537	3,095
Dec-18	1,044,503	82,475,967	(131,707)	476,940
Jan-19	1,096,793	86,560,285	135,949	1,972,767
Feb-19	989,963	79,515,271	(103,247)	820,320
Mar-19	1,074,141	77,416,806	(103,691)	860,020
Apr-19			(34,095)	
May-19			(16,125)	
Jun-19			115,981	
	<u>5,892,613</u>	<u>455,838,471</u>	<u>5,829</u>	<u>4,974,577</u>
Jul-17			(26,549)	
Aug-17			107,852	
Sep-17			(85,857)	
Oct-17	419,929	57,007,763	(57,814)	1,752,373
Nov-17	663,346	65,811,577	(13,950)	1,384,010
Dec-17	857,589	86,208,233	(193,022)	1,623,393
Jan-18	1,075,986	80,510,041	96,310	1,037,205
Feb-18	756,020	71,116,713	(54,158)	787,211
Mar-18	689,468	74,495,924	(31,132)	1,083,500
Apr-18			67,990	
May-18			41,074	
Jun-18			132,442	
	<u>4,462,338</u>	<u>435,150,251</u>	<u>(16,814)</u>	<u>7,667,692</u>

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(1) Northwest's Evergreen 15 contracted services concluded September 30, 2018. For the purposes of this and future filings, Northwest will only include data pertaining to Evergreen 25 activity.