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NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS CO Form 3 April 09, 2014 FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Imeson Thomas J			2. Date of Event Requirin Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS CO [NWN]				
. ,	First)	(Middle)	03/31/2014	4. Relationsh Person(s) to I	ip of Reporting ssuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
220 NW SECO (S PORTLAND,Â	Street)			Director X Officer (give title below		Owner	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(City) (S	State)	(Zip)	Table I -	Non-Derivat	tive Securiti	es Bei	neficially Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2. Amount Beneficiall (Instr. 4)	of Securities y Owned	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owne (Instr.	•	
Restricted Stock	k Units		3,453 <u>(1)</u>		D <u>(1)</u>	Â		
Reminder: Report of owned directly or in		te line for ea	ch class of securities benefi	cially S	EC 1473 (7-02)		
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)								

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	

Shares

(I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Imeson Thomas J 220 NW SECOND AVENUE PORTLAND, OR 97209	Â	Â	VP Public Affairs	Â		
Signatures						
Shawn M. Filippi, Attorney-in-Fact	(04/09/2014				
<u>**</u> Signature of Reporting Person		Date				
220 NW SECOND AVENUE PORTLAND, OR 97209 Signatures Shawn M. Filippi, Attorney-in-Fact)4/09/2014	VP Public Affairs	Â		

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- (1) Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) were granted 3,453 shares pursuant to Northwest Natural Gas Company's Long Term Incentive Plan. The RSUs vest in three equal installments of shares on each March 31, 2017, 2018 and 2019.

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