

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS CO  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**KANTOR GREGG S**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS CO [NWN]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**220 NW SECOND AVE**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**03/05/2014**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**President & CEO**

**PORTLAND, OR 97209**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price                                |   |  |  |
| Common Stock                    | 03/05/2014                           |  | F                              | 828 <sup>(1)</sup> D \$ 42.73                                     | 32,393.6004   | D  |  |
| Common Stock                    | 03/05/2014                           |  | F                              | 851 <sup>(2)</sup> D \$ 42.73                                     | 31,542.6004   | D  |  |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 3,695.6699  | I  | See Footnote <sup>(3)</sup>                |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 200   | I  | See Footnote <sup>(4)</sup>                |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | 570   | I  |  |

Common  
Stock

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Footnote  
(5)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of 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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                            | Relationships |           |                 |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer         | Other |
| KANTOR GREGG S<br>220 NW SECOND AVE<br>PORTLAND, OR 97209 | X             |           | President & CEO |       |

## Signatures

Shawn M. Filippi,  
Attorney-in-Fact

03/07/2014

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## 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).

(1) Shares were withheld by the issuer to cover withholding taxes on issuance of shares due to vesting of restricted stock units. Organization and Executive Compensation Committee certification of satisfaction of the performance threshold and vesting for these restricted stock units was reported on Form 4 filed on February 28, 2014.

(2)

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Shares were withheld by the issuer to cover withholding taxes on issuance of performance shares. Organization and Executive Compensation Committee certification of the payout of these performance shares was reported on Form 4 filed on February 28, 2014.

- (3) Shares held in reporting person's account under issuer's Retirement K Savings Plan as of February 28, 2014.
- (4) Shares held in reporting person's parent's account, with respect to which the reporting person is Power of Attorney and a potential beneficiary.
- (5) Shares held in reporting person's parent's IRA account, with respect to which the reporting person is Power of Attorney and a potential beneficiary.

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