#### NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS CO

Form 4

January 20, 2015

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

Stock

Common

01/15/2015

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KANTOR GREGG S			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> 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			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/15/2015						X Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) President & CEO				
	PORTLAN	(Street) ID, OR 97209		4. If Am Filed(Mo			ate Originar)	al		6. Individual or Join Applicable Line)  _X_ Form filed by Or  _ Form filed by Mo Person	ne Reporting Per	rson		
	(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tak	ole I - N	on-l	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned		
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	Code (Instr.	8)	4. Securir nor Dispos (Instr. 3,	sed of		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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
	Common Stock	12/12/2014			G	V	107	D	\$ 0	33,039.4286	D			
	Common Stock	01/15/2015			J		434 (1)	D	\$ 0	4,003.855	I	See Footnote (2)		
	Common Stock	01/15/2015			J		434 (1)	A	\$ 0	33,473.4286	D			

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Common Stock			See Footnote
Common Stock	200	I	See Footnote (5)
Common Stock	570	I	See Footnote (6)

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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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	of			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiationsnips						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
KANTOR GREGG S							
220 NW SECOND AVE	X		President & CEO				
PORTLAND, OR 97209							

## **Signatures**

Shawn M. Filippi, Attorney-in-Fact 01/20/2015

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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### **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).
- Shares were distributed from Deferred Compensation Plan for Directors and Executives (DCP) account to reporting person's registered account pursuant to reporting person's election on December 5, 2008 (for shares acquired in 2008) and on December 8, 2008 (for shares acquired in 2009) with regard to his election to participate in the DCP.
- (2) Reflects shares that have been credited to reporting person's account under the issuer's Deferred Compensation Plan for Directors and Executives.
- These shares were issued in connection with the reporting person's election on December 5, 2008 (for shares acquired in 2008) and on December 8, 2008 (for shares acquired in 2009) to participate in Northwest Natural Gas Company Deferred Compensation Plan for Directors and Executives (DCP), which specifies that taxes shall be withheld from distribution. Pursuant to the Plan and the reporting person's elections on the dates stated hereinabove, these shares were sold to pay taxes on the DCP distribution made on January 15, 2015.
- (4) Held in reporting person's account under issuer's Retirement K Savings Plan as of December 31, 2014.
- (5) Shares held in reporting person's parent's account, with respect to which the reporting person is Power of Attorney and a potential beneficiary.
- (6) 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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