

REITEN RICHARD G
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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 *
REITEN RICHARD G

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 AVENUE
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
06/29/2005

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

PORTLAND, OR 97209-3991
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or Price (D)		
Common Stock, \$3-1/6 par value	06/29/2005		M		800 A \$ 27.875	D	
Common Stock, \$3-1/6 par value	06/29/2005		S		800 D \$ 38	D	
Common Stock, \$3-1/6 par value	06/30/2005		M		9,200 A \$ 27.875	D	

Common Stock, \$3-1/6 par value	06/30/2005	S	9,200	D	\$ 38	18,024.674	D	
Common Stock, \$3-1/6 par value						2,984.989	I	See Footnote <u>(1)</u>
Common Stock, \$3-1/6 par value						6,554.256	I	See Footnote <u>(2)</u>
Common Stock, \$3-1/6 par value						21,861.9798	I	See Footnote <u>(3)</u>

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. Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Buy	\$ 27.875	06/29/2005		M	800	<u>(4)</u> 03/01/2006	Common Stock	800	
Option to Buy	\$ 27.875	06/30/2005		M	9,200	<u>(4)</u> 03/01/2006	Common Stock	9,200	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

