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NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS CO Form 8-K January 12, 2015

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

January 6, 2015

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File No. 1-15973

Oregon (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 93-0256722 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

220 N.W. Second Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97209 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, including area code: (503) 226-4211

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Item Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; 5.02(b). Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On January 6, 2015, Mr. Stephen P. Feltz, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Northwest Natural Gas Company (Company), announced that, after 32 years of service, he plans to retire from the Company during 2015. The Company is in the process of identifying Mr. Feltz's successor. Mr. Feltz plans to remain in his position until his successor is engaged.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY (Registrant)

Dated: January 12, 2015 /s/ MardiLyn Saathoff
Senior Vice President and General Counsel