

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS CO  
Form 8-K  
January 23, 2008

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**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 22, 2008

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure**

On January 22, 2008, Gill Ranch Storage, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Northwest Natural Gas Company, issued a press release announcing a successful open season for its proposed natural gas storage facility and updated its related plans for development.

A press release dated January 22, 2008 is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated January 22, 2008.

**SIGNATURES**

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 23, 2008

/s/ David H. Anderson  
David H. Anderson  
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer