

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS CO  
Form 8-K  
April 29, 2005

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**Form 8-K**

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

April 29, 2005

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

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**NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Commission File No. 1-15973

**Oregon**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**93-0256722**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

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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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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):

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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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 2.02 Results of Operation and Financial Condition**

On April 29, 2005, the Company issued a press release announcing its earnings for the first quarter of 2005. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

**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: April 29, 2005

/s/ David H. Anderson

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Senior Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<u>Exhibits</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release of Northwest Natural Gas Company issued April 29, 2005.