NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS CO Form 8-K April 02, 2004

# 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

March 30, 2004

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

# NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File No. 0-994

Oregon (State or other jurisdiction of 93-0256722 (I.R.S. Employer incorporation or organization)

**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

#### Item 5. Other Events and Required FD Disclosure.

On March 30, 2004, Northwest Natural Gas Company, an Oregon corporation (the Company ), entered into an underwriting agreement with the underwriters listed therein, in connection with the offer and sale (the Offering ) by the Company of 1,200,000 shares of its common stock (the Common Stock ), and the Common Share Purchase Rights appurtenant thereto (the Rights and, together with the Common Stock, the Shares ). Subsequently, the underwriters exercised an over-allotment option pursuant to the underwriting agreement to purchase an additional 90,000 Shares. The Shares to be offered and sold in the Offering have been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act ), pursuant to a registration statement on Form S-3 (Registration Statement No. 333-112604) of the Company, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the Commission ), which was declared effective by the Commission on February 18, 2004. In connection with the Offering, a final prospectus supplement dated March 30, 2004, has been filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) promulgated under the Securities Act.

#### Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

1.1 Underwriting Agreement, dated March 30, 2004, by and among Northwest Natural Gas Company, A.G. Edwards & Sons, Inc., Edward D. Jones & Co., L.P., Janney Montgomery Scott LLC, Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC.

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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.

Dated: April 2, 2004

NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS COMPANY (Registrant)

By: /s/ Bruce DeBolt

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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### EXHIBIT INDEX

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