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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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	ET PURSUANT TO SECTION	
Date	April 29, 2005 of Report (Date of earliest event repo	rted)
	NATURAL GA	
(Exact	name of registrant as specified in its cl	narter)
	Commission File No. 1-15973	
Oregon (State or other jurisdiction of		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 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

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

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