

SOUTHWEST GAS CORP
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SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION

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Southwest Gas Corporation

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Southwest Gas Corporation (Southwest or the Company) analyzed the proxy voting recommendations it has received from the various proxy advisory services. Based on this analysis, the Company is making available additional information, commitments and representation that it views as providing value to shareholders in their voting decisions regarding matters to be considered at the 2009 Southwest Annual Meeting of Shareholders. The additional information, commitments and representation are as follows:

- * Southwest has reviewed the payments made to Mr. Wright's businesses during 2008, which totaled less than \$1,600.00. The amount paid by the Company is immaterial in relation to the revenues generated by Mr. Wright's businesses and does not trigger a negative independence determination.

- * Southwest has committed that Mr. Maffie, if elected as a director for 2009, will not serve on the Audit, Compensation or Nominating and Corporate Governance committees of the Board of Directors during his term.

- * Southwest has committed to recommend to the Company's Board of Directors that the Management Incentive Plan (the Plan) be amended to eliminate the change in control provision that would trigger the opportunity to vest performance awards on shareholder approval of a planned change in control and to require vesting only occur in connection with consummation of a planned change in control event. The Plan amendment has been scheduled for final action by the Board of Directors at its May 6, 2009 meeting and, based on its prior decisions, is anticipated to be adopted.