

Southwest Gas CEO and CFO Certify SEC Filings

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LAS VEGAS, Aug. 13 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Southwest Gas Corporation (Southwest) announced today that its chief executive officer and chief financial officer signed and filed sworn statements with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) affirming the Company's SEC filings made during 2002.

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Michael O. Maffie, President and Chief Executive Officer and George C. Biehl, Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Secretary signed the sworn statements regarding the facts and circumstances pertaining to Southwest's 2001 Annual Report on Form 10-K, the first and second quarter 2002 Form 10-Q reports, 2002 Form 8-K reports, and the proxy statement.

Maffie stated, "Southwest Gas has long taken a very disciplined approach to the financial reporting process, which we believe results in fair, accurate and complete SEC filings."

Southwest Gas provides natural gas service to 1.4 million customers in Arizona, Nevada, and California. Its service territory is centered in the fastest-growing region of the country.

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