

## Biography of Dan Kirschner



Dan Kirschner is the Executive Director of the Northwest Gas Association (NWGA). In this role Kirschner works to foster understanding among opinion leaders and informed decision-making by governing officials on issues related to natural gas in the Pacific Northwest.

Kirschner has extensive public policy and public affairs experience. Prior to joining the NWGA, Kirschner was the Vice President of Public Affairs at the Spokane Regional Chamber of Commerce. Before the Chamber, Kirschner was the Majority Chief of Staff in the Washington State House of Representatives.

He also served as Regional Director for U.S. Senator Slade Gorton in eastern and central Washington. Kirschner has a BA in Government and Economics from Eastern Washington University and an MBA from the University of Washington.

## About The NWGA

The NWGA is a trade organization of the Pacific Northwest natural gas industry. It seeks to meaningfully shape policies to help increase the diversity, abundance and dependability of natural gas supply and infrastructure available to serve the Pacific Northwest. Its members include six natural gas utilities serving communities throughout Idaho, Oregon, Washington and British Columbia, and three transmission pipelines that transport natural gas from supply basins into and through the region.

NWGA members include:

- Avista Utilities ([www.avisatcorp.com](http://www.avisatcorp.com))
- Cascade Natural Gas Corporation ([www.cngc.com](http://www.cngc.com))
- Spectra Energy ([www.spectraenergy.com](http://www.spectraenergy.com))
- Intermountain Gas Company ([www.intgas.com](http://www.intgas.com))
- NW Natural ([www.nwnatural.com](http://www.nwnatural.com))
- TransCanada – GTN System ([www.gastransmissionnw.com](http://www.gastransmissionnw.com))
- Puget Sound Energy ([www.pse.com](http://www.pse.com))
- Terasen Gas ([www.terasengas.com](http://www.terasengas.com))
- Williams – NW Pipeline ([www.williams.com](http://www.williams.com))