

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.,

Respondent.

Docket No. UG-040640
Docket No. UE-040641

**STATEMENT IN LIEU OF BRIEF BY
AT&T WIRELESS SERVICES, INC.,
REGARDING THE RATE-SPREAD
AND RATE-DESIGN SETTLEMENT
AGREEMENT**

AT&T Wireless Services, Inc. ("AT&T Wireless") has participated as a party in these proceedings solely on the issues raised by the filing of proposed Schedule 40. As originally filed by Puget Sound Energy, Inc. ("PSE"), the availability clause of Schedule 40 was ambiguously broad in scope. By its terms, Schedule 40 would have applied to the Bothell internet data center load of AT&T Wireless, a load served off a dedicated feeder under Schedule 31. AT&T Wireless opposed the application of Schedule 40 to its Bothell load. It has been, and remains, the intention of AT&T Wireless to transition the Bothell load from Schedule 31 to Schedule 49 (when Schedule 49 eligibility requirements have been satisfied) service-center load, which is currently served under Schedule 31.

When AT&T Wireless' problem with Schedule 40 became known to the parties, PSE and the Commission Staff both made efforts to resolve that problem to the satisfaction of AT&T Wireless management. As part of the partial settlement of rate-spread and rate-design issues in this case, the Schedule 40 availability clause has been revised to limit its application only to customers with a concentrated load on a non- dedicated distribution feeder.

With this change, AT&T Wireless was able to become a signatory to the rate-design and rate-spread settlement agreement previously submitted to the Commission in these proceedings. AT&T Wireless supports this partial settlement, takes no position regarding the contested issues of this case, and expresses its appreciation for the efforts of PSE and Staff to assist it in resolving its problems with Schedule 40.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 18th day of January, 2005.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this 18th day of January, 2005, served the foregoing **STATEMENT IN LIEU OF BRIEF BY AT&T WIRELESS SERVICES, INC., REGARDING THE RATE-SPREAD AND RATE-DESIGN SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT** upon parties of record in this proceeding via UPS Overnight Delivery and E-Mail, as follows:

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