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NOTICE CONCERNING THE OFFICIAL RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Re: In the Matter of the Petition of Puget Sound Energy and NW Energy Coalition For an Order Authorizing PSE to Implement Electric and Natural Gas Decoupling Mechanisms and to Record Accounting Entries Associated with the Mechanisms, Dockets UE-121697 and UG-121705 (Consolidated)

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Puget Sound Energy, Dockets UE-130137 and UG-130138 (Consolidated)

TO ALL PARTIES:

On July 25, 2014, the Thurston County Superior Court (Court) reversed in part the final order of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) in these consolidated dockets determining that the rates to be charged by Puget Sound Energy as a result of this proceeding are fair, just, reasonable, and sufficient.¹ The Court concluded that "the Commission's findings of fact with respect to the return on equity component of Puget Sound Energy, Inc.'s cost of capital in the context of a multi-year rate plan are unsupported by substantial evidence and the Commission improperly shifted the burden of proof on this issue from Puget Sound Energy, Inc. to the other parties in the proceeding below, contrary to RCW 34.05.461(4) and RCW 80.04.130(4)."² The Court remanded the proceeding to the Commission for "further adjudication . . . to establish fair, just, reasonable and sufficient rates to be charged under the rate plan, and to order any other appropriate relief."³

³ *Id*. at 3.

¹ Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities v. Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, et al., Thurston County Superior Court Case Nos. 13-2-01576-2 and 13-201582-7 (consolidated), Order Granting in Part and Denying in Part Petitions for Judicial Review (July 25, 2014).

² *Id.* at 2, lines 18-24.

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Given the narrow scope of the Court's remand, only limited parts of the record from the earlier phase of these proceedings are relevant for purposes of this phase. The Commission, in the interest of having a focused record for decision in response to the Court's remand, requires that parties identify specifically those parts of the record from the earlier phase of these proceedings that they wish to have considered on remand. This can be most easily accomplished by each party providing a list, based on the identification of testimony and exhibits in the current exhibit list, and references to transcript pages and lines. When referring to the transcript, parties must identify the witness and the questioner.

THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That all parties must identify specifically all prefiled testimony, exhibits, cross-examination exhibits, and transcript references that they wish to bring forward from the earlier phase of these proceedings. Parties must electronically submit this information for filing with the Commission no later than 3:00 p.m. on December 22, 2014.

DENNIS J. MOSS Administrative Law Judge