

April 28, 2006

Karen Caille, Administrative Law Judge  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW  
P. O. Box 47250  
Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Re: *Western Village v. PSE*, Docket No. UE-051828  
*WUTC v. PSE*, Docket No. UE-051966  
Consolidated

Dear Judge Caille:

I have been authorized by all parties to ask the Commission to suspend the current procedural schedule in the above-referenced dockets. The parties engaged in negotiations on April 26, 2006 and made good progress toward settlement. Suspension of the procedural schedule will allow us to continue to focus our efforts on settlement, rather than litigation. Indeed, we have agreed to reconvene settlement discussions on May 19, 2006.

We also propose that we report back to you on the status of our negotiations on May 24, 2006. We are optimistic that settlement can be reached, but if, instead, further litigation is required, we anticipate requesting a new procedural schedule that delays the current schedule by approximately 3-4 weeks. We are informed by the Company that it will waive the suspension period regarding its proposed tariff revisions (Docket No. UE-051966), as necessary to accommodate any new procedural schedule.

Please contact me if you have any questions or if there is additional information you require. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure  
cc: Parties