BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Docket Nos. UE-151871 UG-151872
Puget Sound Energy's
Electric and Natural Gas Equipment Lease Service

WUTC STAFF DATA REQUEST NO. 088

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With regard to the residential efficient air source electric heat pump, offered in proposed Schedule 75, sheet 75-B, does PSE acknowledge that it proposed to offer different products, including 2 ton heat pumps, 2.5 ton heat pumps, and 3 ton heat pumps, all for the same monthly lease charge of \$116, and further that PSE or its agent would determine which size unit the leasing customer would receive based on PSE's or its agent's determination of that customer's need? If not, please explain how PSE's proposal with regard to the residential efficient air sources electric heat pump offering differs from the above description.

Response:

Proposed Schedule 75, sheet 75-B, details a fixed monthly lease rate of \$116 for a 2-3 ton air source heat pump, which represents a bundled rate for the same product with slightly different input size characteristics. For customers who choose this specific optional service rate, an assigned service partner will conduct a site check, as referenced in Puget Sound Energy's Response to WUTC Staff Data Request No. 016, during which the service partner will, among other tasks, "preform heat loss & Manual J calculations," to ensure the equipment is appropriately sized for the customer's application. Based on the findings resulting from this activity, the assigned service provider will install either a 2.0, 2.5 or 3.0 ton heat pump.