BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of

PUGET SOUND ENERGY

Clean Energy Implementation Plan Pursuant to WAC 480-100-640 **DOCKET UE-210795**

NW ENERGY COALITION'S REQUEST FOR PAYMENT OF FUND GRANT

- Pursuant to Order 05 in Docket No. UE-210795 Granting Requests For Case Certification issued by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission ("UTC") and Order 06 Approving Proposed Budgets and Fund Grants in Part; Rejecting in Park in the same docket, NW Energy Project ("NWEC") hereby respectfully requests payment of a Fund Grant from the Customer Access Fund for Puget Sound Energy ("PSE")¹ in the amount of \$12,000. In support of this request, NWEC states the following:
- On December 17, 2021, PSE filed with the UTC its final Clean Energy Implementation Plan ("CEIP") in Docket UE-210795. On April 19, 2022, the UTC issued a Notice of Preahearing Conference in this docket, and NWEC timely intervened.
- On June 3, 2022, NWEC filed a Request for Case Certification and Notice of Intent to Request a Fund Grant (Notice and Request). On June 16, 2022, the Commission approved NWEC's request.²
- On June 22, 2022, NWEC filed a Proposed Budget and requested a Fund Grant in this docket in the amount of \$15,000 to partially offset the costs of its participation in the proceeding. The Commission approved NWEC's Proposed Budget for a Fund Grant in the amount of \$12,000 on July 15, 2022.³

¹ See Petition for approval of an interim participatory funding agreement pursuant to RCW 80.28.430, Docket U-210595 Order 01 (February 24, 2022), Attachment A § 4.2 (Executed February 24, 2022) (hereinafter "Funding Agreement").

² Order 05, Granting Requests for Case Certification (June 16, 2022).

³ Order 06, Approving Proposed Budgets (July 15, 2022).

- NWEC focused on matters related to various aspects of Puget Sound Energy's CEIP, including but not limited to Puget Sound Energy's compliance with Washington state clean energy and equity law and policy especially the Washington Clean Energy Transformation Act (Chapter 19.405 RCW). NWEC (jointly with Front and Centered) sponsored expert testimony addressing topics including vulnerable population designations; customer benefit indicators; PSE's interim clean energy targets including demand response; specific actions including community solar; minimum designations for named communities; public participation; PSE's incremental cost calculation; and the use of the social cost of greenhouse gas emissions in PSE's portfolio modeling.
- NWEC respectfully submits that this request for payment satisfies the requirement of the Funding Agreement Section 7.1 as follows:
 - a. Section 7.1(a). The itemized expenses, payees and hourly rates for amounts to be reimbursed, including billing details, and including separately identified amounts for consultant or expert fees and travel expenses are attached as Confidential Exhibit A. The rates included in NWEC's request in this docket are not fully loaded. NWEC has recently transitioned to requesting intervenor funding at fully loaded rates.
 - b. Section 7.1(b). NWEC was a full and active participant in this docket and the expenses are reasonable and directly attributable to issues and positions pursued on behalf customers including expert witness testimonies addressing the impacts of PSE's proposed investments on customers, and the environment. NWEC issued and reviewed discovery, participated in settlement conferences, participated in several prehearing/status conferences, filed numerous expert witness testimonies, reviewed testimony of other parties; prepared for and attended an evidentiary hearing; and filed a closing brief. The expenses included in Confidential Attachment A are Eligible Expenses as defined in Funding Agreement Section 7.3 and are reasonable and directly attributable to NWEC's participation in UE-210795.

- c. <u>Section 7.1(d)</u>. This request is a final request for payment under this Approved Fund Grant for the full amount of the Approved Fund Grant.
- d. <u>Section 7.3.</u> All of the expenses included in Confidential Attachment A are Eligible Expenses as defined in Section 7.3 of the Funding Agreement.
- Upon approval of this request for payment by the Commission, please send payment to NWEC as follows:

NW Energy Coalition 811 1st Avenue, Suite 305 Seattle, WA 98104

NWEC has satisfied the terms of the Funding Agreement and respectfully requests that the Commission approve payment of NWEC's Fund Grant in the amount of \$12,000 from the PSE Customer Representation Sub-Fund within 30 days of receiving this Request for Payment as provided in Section 7.6 of the Funding Agreement.

Dated this 3rd day of August, 2023.

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