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Amanda Maxwell, Executive Director and Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 621 Woodland Square Loop SE Lacey, WA 98503

RE: Docket UG-230531 (Advice No. 2023-27)

Puget Sound Energy's Natural Gas Tariff Revision - Do Not Redocket

Dear Executive Director Maxwell:

Puget Sound Energy ("PSE") hereby submits in connection with Docket UE-230561 the following revised WN U-2 Natural Gas Tariff sheets as a substitution for the tariff sheets that accompanied its June 30, 2023 filing, submitted under Advice No. 2023-27.

Original	Sheet No. 123BDR	Bill Discount Rate
Original	Sheet No. 123BDR-A	Bill Discount Rate (Continued)

The purpose of this substitute filing is to incorporate the following revisions to Schedule 23BDR proposed by the Low-Income Advisory Committee ("LIAC"): 1) Clarifying language regarding the enrollment process and the role of designated agencies<sup>1</sup> ("Agencies") in that enrollment process; 2) Clarifying language stating that Schedule 7BDR is one part of several bill-assistance services PSE offers, which in alignment with WAC 194-40-030 are collectively designed to reduce a customer's energy burden; and 3) Clarifying language to the Bill Discount Rate Adjustment section regarding the qualifying household income limit.

PSE's Schedule 23BDR is designed to work with both Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program ("LIHEAP") benefits that are provided to customers by Agencies, and PSE HELP which is offered under the Company's Schedule 129 Low Income Program, to collectively reduce a customer's energy burden in alignment with WAC 194-40-030. Customers may contact

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A designated agency is an agency that meets the criteria for a Qualifying Organization as defined in RCW 82.16.0497.

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either PSE or the Agencies to collectively enroll in LIHEAP, PSE's Schedule 23BDR, and PSE's Schedule 129.

The tariff sheets described herein reflect an issue date of June 30, 2023, and effective date of August 25, 2023. Posting of proposed tariff changes, as required by law and the Commission's rules and regulations, is being completed through web, telephone and mail access in accordance with WAC 480-90-193. As required by WAC 480-07-885(1)(c) a copy of this substitution of a subsequent filing is being served on each party to the general rate case proceeding. The filing is being served via email.

Please contact Veronica Martin at <u>veronica.martin@pse.com</u> for additional information about this filing. If you have any other questions, please contact me at (425) 462-3946.

Sincerely,

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Attachments: Natural Gas Tariff Sheets (listed above)

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