IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR PUGET SOUND ENERGY ELECTRICITY AND NATURAL GAS CUSTOMERS ABOUT PROPOSED RATE CHANGE

Puget Sound Energy on Feb. 1, 2013 filed a request with the state Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC) to change rates for electric and natural gas service. This proposal, filed under electric and natural gas Schedules 141, requests to recover the costs of past PSE investments in utility operations. The filing proposes an effective date of April 1, 2013.

If the requested rate change is approved by the UTC, the cost for electric service will increase an overall average of 1.59 percent and the cost for natural gas service will decrease by 0.1 percent (1 tenth of 1 percent).

A residential electric customer who uses an average of 1,000 kWh per month will pay 1.7 percent, or \$1.65, more per month for service. A residential natural gas customer who uses an average of 68 therms per month will see a 0.1 percent, or 10-cent, decrease in the monthly gas bill.

The overall average rate changes for customers are as follows:

TYPE OF ELECTRIC SERVICE/SCHEDULES	PERCENT INCREASE
Residential (Schedule 7)	1.68
Commercial & Industrial (Schedules 24, 25, 26, 26P, 7A, 29)	
Commercial & Industrial (Schedules 31, 35, 43)	
Campus Rate (Schedule 40)	0.76
High Voltage (Schedules 46, 49)	0.58
Choice/Retail Wheeling (Schedules 448, 449)	2.90
Lighting (Schedules 50-59)	2.91
TYPE OF NATURAL GAS SERVICE	PERCENT DECREASE
Natural Gas Service for schedules including cost of gas	0.1
Natural Gas Transportation Service and Rental schedules	0.3

The UTC has the authority to set final rates that may vary from PSE's request, either higher or lower or structured differently depending on the results of its review.

Comments or questions on proposal: PSE customers may submit comments to the UTC about this proposal by using the online comment form at www.utc.wa.gov/comment; by email to comments@utc.wa.gov; by fax to 360-664-4291; by phone to 1-888-333-9882; or mailing your comments to the UTC at: P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA, 98504. If you write, include your name and mailing address, the name of the company (PSE), and Docket No. UE-130137 (electric) or Docket No. UG-130138 (natural gas). You may also ask questions of the UTC and request that the UTC notify you of the open meeting at which this proposal will be considered by the Commission. The UTC is committed to providing reasonable accommodations to participants with disabilities. If you need reasonable accommodation, please contact the commission at (360) 664-1132 or human_resources@utc.wa.gov.

The public, including residential and small business customers, is represented by the Public Counsel Section of the Washington State Attorney General's office. You can reach the Public Counsel Section by writing to Public Counsel, Assistant Attorney General, 800 5th Avenue, Suite 2000, Seattle, WA 98104-3188, or by email at utility@atg.wa.gov.

If you have questions or comments for PSE about this proposal, you may submit them by writing to PSE at: Puget Sound Energy, ATTN: Customer Service, P.O. Box 97034, Bellevue, WA 98009-9734, by email at customercare@pse.com or by telephone at 1-888-225-5773. Additional information about the filing is available at www.pse.com.

