BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition of

PUGET SOUND ENERGY

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For an Order Authorizing Accounting For Costs Associated with COVID-19 Public Health Emergency

DOCKETS UE-200780 and UG-200781

PETITION TO INTERVENE OF THE ENERGY PROJECT

Pursuant to WAC 480-07-355 (1), The Energy Project hereby petitions the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission or UTC) for leave to intervene in the above-captioned dockets as an intervenor. The Energy Project requests intervention with full party status as described in WAC 480-07-340.

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The Energy Project works with Community Action Agencies that provide rate assistance and energy efficiency programs for PSE's low-income electric and natural gas customers. The Energy Project also works generally with utilities and other stakeholders to develop and expand rate assistance and energy efficiency programs for low-income customers in Washington. The Energy Project is a frequent party in general rate cases and other significant dockets before the UTC involving Washington investor-owned utilities when energy affordability, energy efficiency, and customer service policies are at issue. The Energy Project has concerns regarding the impact on PSE's low-income customers and programs of PSE's requests for deferred accounting of costs and benefits related to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

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The Energy Project has a direct and substantial interest in PSE's filing in this docket and no other party will adequately represent those interests. The Energy Project will be the only party to focus solely on the interests of low-income customers in this proceeding. The Energy Project's intervention will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or delay the proceeding. Accordingly, it is in the public interest to allow The Energy Project to intervene in this docket.

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For the foregoing reasons, The Energy Project respectfully petitions the Commission for leave to intervene in this proceeding.

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Dated this 10th day of September, 2020.

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