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Re: *Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission v. Puget Sound Energy* (2022 GRC),
Dockets UE-220066 and UG-220067 (*Consolidated*)

Dear Executive Director Maxwell:

Public Counsel submits this letter in response to the late-filed petition to intervene submitted on March 1, 2022, by Fred Meyer Stores Inc. and Quality Food Centers, Divisions of The Kroger Co. (Kroger) in the above referenced Docket.

Public Counsel does not object to Kroger's Petition to Intervene. Kroger has participated in other general rate cases (GRC) that Puget Sound Energy (PSE) has filed in the past and so Kroger is familiar with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission's adjudicatory process for general rate cases. Although Kroger filed its intervention petition beyond the filing deadline, it is still early in the adjudicatory process for this Docket, and therefore granting Kroger's intervention petition will not prejudice any party to this proceeding. Lastly, Public Counsel believes that the adjudicatory process in general rate cases benefits from a diversity of viewpoints, and that Kroger's participation in this Docket will contribute to the development of the record on which the Commission may make its decision on PSE's GRC request.

Sincerely,

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this day served *Response to Petition to Intervene* upon all parties of record in this proceeding, by electronic transmission to the email address(es) or by mailing a true and correct copy, postage prepaid, to each party or party representative listed in the Commission's master service list for this docket.

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