

**BEFORE THE  
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

**In the Matter of the Petition of  
PUGET SOUND ENERGY  
For Approval of its April 2019 Power Cost  
Adjustment Mechanism Report**

**Docket UE-19\_\_\_\_\_**

**FIRST EXHIBIT (PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS) TO THE  
PREFILED DIRECT TESTIMONY OF**

**PAUL K. WETHERBEE**

**ON BEHALF OF PUGET SOUND ENERGY**

**APRIL 30, 2019**

1 **PUGET SOUND ENERGY**

2 **FIRST EXHIBIT (PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS) TO THE PREFILED**  
3 **DIRECT TESTIMONY OF PAUL K. WETHERBEE**

4 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

5 A. My name is Paul K. Wetherbee. My business address is 2380 116th Avenue NE,  
6 Suite 201, Bellevue, WA 98004.

7 **Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?**

8 A. I am employed by Puget Sound Energy (“PSE”) as Director, Energy Supply  
9 Merchant.

10 **Q. What are your duties as Director, Energy Supply Merchant of PSE?**

11 A. I am responsible for oversight of all Front Office activities including power and  
12 gas trading, participation in the Energy Imbalance Market, and the hedging  
13 program. I am responsible for the dispatch of PSE’s generating assets, related  
14 transmission, and any associated environmental attributes.

15 **Q. Briefly describe your education and relevant employment experience.**

16 A. I earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Geology from Carleton College in  
17 Northfield, Minnesota in 1986. I earned a M.S. degree from the University of  
18 Wisconsin-Madison in economic geology and a second M.S. degree from the  
19 University of Washington in forest engineering and watershed hydrology. Most  
20 recently, I completed a MBA from Seattle University.

21 I have worked for PSE for 16 years and have held progressively responsible

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positions over that time. I started as a hydrologist working on hydro relicensing and progressed to Manager, Hydro Contracts and Manager, Special Projects where I worked on Mid-C resources and the White River Project disposition, respectively. As Manager, Resource Development, I led the development of the Lower Snake River Wind Project. As Director, I have held several roles in hydro and wind generation operations, asset management, and finance. I have been in my current role as Director, Energy Supply Merchant since May 2016.