

**EXH. ZCY-2
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2022 PCA COMPLIANCE FILING
WITNESS: ZACARIAS C. YANEZ**

**BEFORE THE
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

**In the Matter of the Petition of
PUGET SOUND ENERGY
For Approval of its 2022 Power Cost
Adjustment Mechanism Report**

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

ZACARIAS C. YANEZ

ON BEHALF OF PUGET SOUND ENERGY

APRIL 28, 2023

1 **PUGET SOUND ENERGY**

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3 **PREFILED DIRECT TESTIMONY OF ZACARIAS C. YANEZ**

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

5 A. My name is Zacarias C. Yanez. My business address is 355 110th Avenue NE,
6 Bellevue, Washington 98004.

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

8 A. I am employed by Puget Sound Energy (“PSE”) as a Consulting Energy Trader, in
9 the Energy Supply team.

10 **Q. What are your duties as Consulting Energy Trader for PSE?**

11 A. As Consulting Energy Trader, I am responsible for oversight of the negotiation
12 and evaluation of short and mid-term electric resources for PSE, and I assist in
13 the negotiation and administration of PSE’s portfolio of contracts for
14 the Mid-Columbia hydroelectric projects.

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

16 A. I graduated from the University of Texas with a Bachelor of Business in Finance.
17 I graduated from the Washington State University with a Master of Business
18 Administration in Finance.

19 Prior to assuming my current role, I served PSE as Commercial Acquisitions
20 Manager and a Senior Resource Planning and Acquisitions Analyst for PSE from

1 September 2019 to February 2023. In those roles, I evaluated resource additions
2 to PSE's energy supply portfolio in response to PSE's 2021 and 2018 RFPs.
3 Additionally, I served in a lead negotiation role for several contracts executed as a
4 result of the 2018 RFP.

5 Prior to rejoining PSE in 2019, I served as a Program Manager for EES
6 Consulting. In that role, I developed feasibility studies for Community Choice
7 Aggregators in California. I also supported testimony for EES customers in BPA
8 rate case proceedings.

9 From 2013 to 2018, I served as a Power Analyst, FP&A for Snohomish County
10 PUD. In that role, I performed quantitative and qualitative analyses related to the
11 development of the Integrated Resource Plan, provided analytical support for the
12 PUD in BPA rate case proceedings, served as commercial contact for the
13 administration of power purchase agreements and conducted financial analysis to
14 evaluate current and new business opportunities.

15 From 2000 to 2013 I held several position with PSE, including seven years as a
16 Resource Planning and Acquisitions Analyst. In that role, I performed portfolio
17 optimization analyses for PSE's IRP and RFP process. I also performed analyses
18 to support avoided costs calculations for conservation and supply side resources
19 and participated with stakeholder engagement while developing the IRP.