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David Danner Executive Director and Secretary Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission 1300 S. Evergreen Pk. Dr. S.W. P. O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Puget Sound Energy Docket Nos. UE-090704 and UG-090705

Dear Mr. Danner:

We (James Dittmer and I) conferred with Mr. Twitchell and received clarification regarding Bench Request No. 1 directed to Public Counsel. To allow adequate time for Mr. Dittmer to prepare the response, and to accommodate our support staff's other deadlines, particularly prehearing exhibits and other preparatory work on the Verizon/Frontier case, Public Counsel respectfully request an extension of the time for response to COB Monday, December 14 (electronic filing, with hard copy next day).

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

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