BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Docket Nos. UE-151871 UG-151872 Puget Sound Energy's Electric and Natural Gas Equipment Lease Service

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On Sheet No. 75, PSE states that the program is "[g]enerally available throughout any territory served by the Company, however, at the option of the Company lease services may not be available in certain areas." Please explain the criteria the company will use for determining the areas where the leasing program will not be available to customers. Please explain why the company would choose not to provide the leasing service in these areas.

Response:

Puget Sound Energy ("PSE") is interested in providing the Lease Solutions service throughout its territory; however, the availability criteria will ultimately be predicated on equipment distribution and service partner coverage.

If PSE cannot secure suitable contract(s) with partner(s) in a specific portion of its territory to allow PSE to provide the service in a manner consistent with the filed tariff, PSE may choose to not provide the service in that region until a suitable partnership(s) can be established.