EXH. DRK-25r2 DOCKET UE-22\_\_/UG-22\_\_ 2022 PSE GENERAL RATE CASE WITNESS: DAN'L R. KOCH

## BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

**PUGET SOUND ENERGY,** 

Respondent.

Docket UE-22\_\_\_\_ Docket UG-22

TWENTY-FOURTH EXHIBIT (NONCONFIDENTIAL) TO THE PREFILED DIRECT TESTIMONY OF

DAN'L R. KOCH

**ON BEHALF OF PUGET SOUND ENERGY** 

REVISED MARCH 15, 2022

REVISED MARCH 25, 2022

JANUARY 31, 2022



# 2021 and 2022 Energize Eastside excerpts from the Asset Management Committee materials provided to the Board

### March 3, 2021 Board Asset Management Committee call

 <u>Energize Eastside (yellow)</u> – The project continues to address jurisdiction variability and advance through complex permitting processes. We received Conditional Land Use Permit (CUP) approvals for South Bellevue and Renton and, as a result, began construction of the Richards Creek substation; ongoing meetings with Newcastle staff have helped counter opposition messaging and a hearing is anticipated in Q2 2021. RFPs for acquiring the necessary replacement vegetation and a construction contractor are being finalized. Decision to move forward with transmission line construction this year is pending.

#### April 7, 2021 Board Asset Management Committee call

<u>Energize Eastside (yellow)</u> – Energize Eastside continues to move forward through the
permitting process, with a primary focus on Newcastle. Construction of the Richards Creek
substation is ongoing and will continue through summer. RFPs for acquiring the necessary
replacement vegetation and a construction contractor are being finalized. Decision to move
forward with transmission line construction this year is pending.

#### June 2, 2021 Board Asset Management Committee call

<u>Energize Eastside (yellow) – Energize Eastside anticipates that the City of Newcastle conditional use permit hearing will be held in Q2 of 2021. Construction of the Richards Creek substation continues to progress. The team is finalizing the Request for Proposal (RFP) for the Transmission Line Contractor to prepare for construction of selected sections of the South half of the project area transmission lines, with construction launching this summer.
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#### September 1, 2021 Board Asset Management Committee call

 <u>Energize Eastside (yellow)</u> – The project team continues their focus on the City of Newcastle and anticipate the Conditional Use Permit hearing in October 2021. Construction of the Richards Creek substation continues with the transformer isolation foundations being completed and the culvert/stream restoration work underway. Evaluation of construction bids is complete for the South half of the transmission line; Wilson Construction was selected and construction will start later this summer. Both Bellevue and Redmond are processing the permit applications for the North half of the project.

#### October 6, 2021 Board Asset Management Committee call

<u>Energize Eastside (yellow)</u> – Permitting efforts continue for both the Northern and Southern
portions of the transmission line. Newcastle is the primary focus for the South as city staff
continue to reevaluate their code and project details, with tentative hearing dates identified
in October (18th, 19th, 25th) and November (2nd) if needed. Active construction efforts
include the Richards Creek substation, with the current focus on the culvert/stream
restoration followed by civil work to be completed in early October; the new Renton
transmission line launched in September.

## November 3, 2021 Board Asset Management Committee materials

<u>Energize Eastside (yellow)</u> – Permitting efforts continue for both the northern and southern portions of the transmission line. Newcastle is the primary focus for the south as we prepare for Hearing. The City of Newcastle's staff report did not make a recommendation on the project, which appears to be a first. Hearing dates are now scheduled in January of 2022. The project recently achieved several major construction milestones after the selection of Wilson Construction last month as the general contractor for construction of the new transmission line: (1) successful install of the first pole for the new transmission line in Renton; (2) civil work at Richards Creek on track for fall completion and the team took delivery of the new 230 kV transformer and the control house; (3) the 428,000 pound transformer was installed on a specially designed seismic protection foundation (a first for PSE!) which allows for 22 inches of movement in any horizontal direction.

#### December 1, 2021 Board Asset Management Committee call

<u>Energize Eastside (yellow)</u> – Permitting efforts continue for both the Northern and Southern portions of the transmission line. For the remainder of 2021, the primary focus will be on preparing for the January 2022 CUP hearing in the city of Newcastle. Public outreach efforts also continue with the completion of a successful neighborhood meeting in Redmond during October and ongoing property owner meetings, which are anticipated to continue though winter. Civil construction efforts at the Richards Creek substation civil work are essentially complete and the Renton transmission line work schedule for 2021 was completed in October and scheduled to resume in Q1 2022.

## January 5, 2022 Board Asset Management Committee materials

<u>Energize Eastside (yellow)</u> – Permitting efforts continue for both the Northern and Southern portions of the transmission line, with particular emphasis on Newcastle. The City of Newcastle's staff report did not make a recommendation on the project; hearing dates are scheduled in January of 2022. Transmission line construction crews completed their work for 2021 in Renton and will resume Q1 2022 as public outreach efforts with property owner meetings and vegetation management work proceeds throughout. Civil construction continues on Richards Creek substation to complete the driveway and contractor "punch list" items.

ENERGIZE EASTSIDE STATUS UPDATES FOR NOVEMBER 3, 2021 ASSET MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE	Financial	2021 YTD Actuals     2021 Forecast     2021 Budget     Lifetime Actuals     Approved Life-     Post-Design       (Millions)     (Millions)     (Millions)     time Budget     Lifetime Budget       (Millions)     (Millions)     (Millions)     time Budget     Lifetime Budget	\$29.8         \$47.1         \$71.4         \$142.2         \$278.9         \$274.1	September 2021	Yellow status due to schedule updates related to material availability and permit processing: (1) Newcastle conditional use permit hearing delayed into Q1 2022 with appeals expected; (2) continue working with staff of the four cities to obtain and modify construction permits as appropriate and CUP processing. Mitigations include continued reliance on "Cure" (pro-project advocates) to help offset opposition through ongoing communication. The project recently achieved several major construction milestones: (1) successful install of the first pole for the new transmission line in Renton; (2) civil work at Richards Creek on track for fall completion and the team took delivery of the new 230 kV transformer and the control house; (3) the 428,000 pound transformer was installed on a specially designed seismic protection foundation (a first for PSEI) which allows for 22 inches of movement in any horizontal direction.
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ENERGIZE EASTSIDE STATUS UPDATES FOR JUNE 3, 2020 ASSET MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE	

	2020 Budget (Millions)	\$18.5	
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2020 Financials	YTD Budget (Millions)	\$4.8	April 2020
	YTD Actuals (Millions)	\$2.0	

Planning to reach construction in 2020 with the 2019 Conditional Use Permit approved by Bellevue. CSA revision in process with COVID-19 related adjustments; plan to accelerate over 2020 budget (no impact on lifetime budget; will be reflected in next month's outlook). •

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ENERGIZE EASTSIDE BUDGET UPDATE FOR MAY 6, 2020 ASSET MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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