

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION  
COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND	)	
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,	)	
	)	DOCKET UE-010525
Complainant,	)	
	)	COMPLAINT AND ORDER
v.	)	SUSPENDING TARIFF
	)	REVISIONS
PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	
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**BACKGROUND**

1 On April 16, 2001, Puget Sound Energy, Inc. (“PSE” or “the Company”), filed with the Commission revisions to its currently effective Tariff WN U-60, Tariff G (Electric Tariff) under Advice No. 2001-11, designated as:

- Twelfth Revised Sheet No. 2 -Index to Rate Schedules
- Fifth Revised Sheet No. 120-a -Electricity Conservation Service Rider(Continued)
- Original Sheet No. 45 -Super Firm Electric Service
- Original Sheet Nos. 45-a – d -Super Firm Electric Service (Continued)

2 The original stated effective date is May 16, 2001. The Company filed the tariff revisions to provide a new form of electric service to a class of large electric service customers. Subsequently, PSE submitted substitute tariff pages to the filing that modify the tariff’s effective date to June 28, 2001.

3 The proposed filing is applicable only to a limited class of customers , and does not alter rates for any other class of customers receiving traditional electric service. PSE has not demonstrated that the proposed new rates are fair, just, and reasonable. The Commission suspends the tariff filing and will hold public hearings if necessary to determine whether the proposed tariff is in the public interest.

**FINDINGS**

4 (1) PSE is an electric company and is a public service company subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.

- 5           (2)    PSE has not demonstrated that the proposed rates and charges in its tariff  
              would result in rates that are fair, just, and reasonable, and would not be  
              injurious to the public interest.
- 6           (3)    As required by RCW 80.04.130, PSE bears the burden of proof to show that the  
              proposed rates are fair, just, and reasonable.
- 7           (4)    In order to carry out the duties imposed upon the Commission by law, the  
              Commission must enter into an investigation of PSE's proposal described  
              above. PSE may be required to pay the expenses reasonably attributable and  
              allocable to the investigation to the extent the requirements for such payment  
              are consistent or authorized by chapter 80.20 RCW.

**ORDER**

8           THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 9           (1)    The tariff revisions filed on April 16, 2001, are suspended.
- 10          (2)    The Commission will hold hearings at such times and places as may be  
              required.
- 11          (3)    PSE must not change or alter the tariff revisions filed in this docket during the  
              suspension period, unless authorized by the Commission.
- 12          (4)    The Commission hereby institutes an investigation of PSE's proposals, as  
              described above.
- 13          (5)    PSE shall pay the expenses reasonably attributable and allocable to the  
              Commission's investigation to the extent the requirements for such payment are  
              in accordance with the provisions of chapter 80.20 RCW.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 27th day of June, 2001.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MARILYN SHOWALTER, Chairwoman

PATRICK J. OSHIE, Commissioner