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NOTICE SHORTENING TIME FOR ANSWERS TO PETITION (Tuesday, April 7, 2015, at 2:30 p.m.)

Re: In the Matter of the Petition of Puget Sound Energy and NW Energy Coalition For an Order Authorizing PSE to Implement Electric and Natural Gas Decoupling Mechanisms and to Record Accounting Entries Associated with the Mechanisms, Dockets UE-121697 and UG-121705 (Consolidated)

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Puget Sound Energy, Dockets UE-130137 and UG-130138 (*Consolidated*)

TO ALL PARTIES:

On April 1, 2015, Puget Sound Energy (PSE) filed a "Petition for Approval of an Errata to Attachment A and B to the Amended Petition for Decoupling." The errata revises language in subsection 6.b of Attachments A and B to the Amended Petition for Decoupling, filed in these dockets on March 1, 2013, and approved by the Commission in Order 07 on June 25, 2013.¹ These attachments describe the Electric Revenue Decoupling Mechanism and Gas Revenue Decoupling Mechanism. The stated purpose of the errata is to correct the calculation of decoupling deferrals. The errata would clarify that prior years' accumulated decoupling deferrals will not be included in the calculation of the current rate year Actual Revenue for purposes of determining the current decoupling deferrals. The effect of this change is to set the Schedule 142 rates for April 2015 - March 2016 at the appropriate level, which is approximately \$12 million lower than the rates would be set if the errata is not approved. The total impact of continuing the current calculation method is approximately \$20 million. The additional excess amount--approximately \$8 million--would be reflected in rates in April 2016, if the errata is not approved.

¹ Although Order 07 is pending judicial review with respect to certain issues, the Commission's approval of the decoupling mechanisms is not part of the subject matter of the appeal.

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PSE states in its petition that all parties to these dockets were apprised of its contents and purpose prior to the filing. Given the time-sensitive nature of this filing, the Commission finds good cause to shorten the time available for parties, or other interested persons, to file an answer to Tuesday, April 7, 2015.

THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That any answers to PSE's Petition for Approval of an Errata to Attachment A and B to the Amended Petition for Decoupling, approved by Order 07 in these dockets on June 25, 2013, must be filed no later than 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 7, 2015.

DENNIS J. MOSS Administrative Law Judge