**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

**Docket No. PG-160924**

**Puget Sound Energy**

**Greenwood Complaint**

**WUTC STAFF DATA REQUEST NO. 027**

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For the following UTC Staff Data Request, please refer to PSE’s Supplemental Response to Public Counsel’s Data Request No. 6, which is an Excel spreadsheet.

Define “Active” and “Deactivated” as those terms are used in the “Status” column.

**Response:**

The table provided in Puget Sound Energy’s Supplemental Response to Public Counsel Data Request No. 006 identifies locations where service piping has been abandoned. When a cut and cap is performed to an abandoned service pipe, a pipe end closure is installed somewhere along the length of the service line. Depending on the circumstances, this occurs near the tie-in to the gas main or near the property line, always resulting in a short section of service pipe remaining “Active” if the gas main is also active. If the main has subsequently been retired, the status becomes “Deactivated.”

PSE’s Response to WUTC Staff Data Request No. 027 Page 1

Date of Response: January 24, 2017

Person who Prepared the Response: Duane Henderson

Witness Knowledgeable About the Response: Duane Henderson

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**PUBLIC COUNSEL DATA REQUEST NO. 006**

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Provide a list of all natural gas pipelines in Puget Sound Energy’s natural gas distribution system that have been abandoned between January 1, 2004, and present. Include the following information in your response: a) the location of the pipe,

b) the date the pipe was abandoned,

c) the method of abandonment,

d) whether PSE performed the work to abandon,

e) if a contractor was used, name the contractor, and

f) if a contractor was used, whether PSE confirmed that the work was completed, and if so, how such confirmation was achieved.

**First Supplemental Response:**

Puget Sound Energy (“PSE”) renews its objections to Public Counsel Data Request No. 006 as overly broad and unduly burdensome. Without waiving these objections and subject thereto, PSE responds as follows:

Attached as Attachment A to PSE’s First Supplemental Response to Public Counsel Data Request No. 006, please find a list of all natural gas service lines that have been abandoned since 2004, as well as the following information for each line:

* **ID –** The unique identifier for each cap object in GIS;
* **Main or Service –** Defines if this abandoned facility is main or service;
* **Status –** Defines if the cap is attached to an active or deactivated service;
* **Date Abandoned –** Lists the installation date of the cap;
* **Location –** This is the geo-coded address of the cap; and
* **Method –** Defines the retirement method.

Regarding Public Counsel Data Request Nos. 006(d) and (e), in order to identify the entity who performed the work, PSE would have to review the individual records for each project location. Given that there are over 20,000 records, PSE objects to reviewing each of the individual records for each location as unduly burdensome. That said, the work during the period between 2004 and 2011 was completed by PSE, Potelco, Inc. or Pilchuck Contractors, Inc. (“Pilchuck”), with the vast majority of the work performed by Pilchuck. After 2011, the work was completed by either PSE or Infrasource, with the majority of the work performed by Infrasource.

PSE is diligently reviewing its pipeline records regarding “mains” in order to respond to Public Counsel Data Request No. 006 and will further supplement its Response to Public Counsel Data Request No. 006 as new information is identified. PSE anticipates completing its review and will provide a response regarding mains no later than January 31, 2017. PSE is willing to discuss further criteria through the settlement process to refine the inventory to reflect a meaningful representative list from which individual project files can be reviewed.

Due to its size, Attachment A to PSE’s First Supplemental Response to Public Counsel Data Request No. 006 is provided in electronic format only.

PSE’s First Supplemental Response to Public Counsel Data Request No. 006 Page 2

Date of Response: December 21, 2016

Person who Prepared the Response: Duane Henderson

Witness Knowledgeable About the Response: Duane Henderson

**ATTACHMENT A to PSE’s First Supplemental Response to PUBLIC COUNSEL Data Request No. 006 is provided in electronic format only.**

[Due to large size of the Excel file provided by PSE, only the pertinent section relating to 8410 Greenwood N has been attached]