

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION  
COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,	)	
	)	DOCKET NO. UE-010525
Complainant,	)	
	)	NOTICE OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE
v.	)	(September 7, 2001)
	)	
PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	
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- 1 On April 16, 2001, Puget Sound Energy, Inc. filed with the Commission certain tariff revisions to provide a new form of electric service to a class of large electric service customers. That class of customers includes, in part, those customers having premises with a high intensity load that requires improved infrastructure in order to reduce the possibility of power service interruption. 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. By order of the Commission, the operation of the tariff revision has been suspended pending hearing or hearings concerning such changes and the justness and reasonableness thereof.
- 2 Hearing in this matter is being held pursuant to Part IV of chapter 34.05 RCW pertaining to adjudicative proceedings, including but not limited to RCW 34.05.413, RCW 34.05.449, and RCW 34.05.452. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Title 80 RCW, having legal authority to regulate the rates, services, and practices of electric utilities. The statutes and rules involved include those within chapters 80.04 and 80.28 RCW and chapters 480-09 and 480-100 WAC. The ultimate issues include whether the proposed tariff is just, fair, reasonable, and sufficient and in the public interest. The issue as to the justness and reasonableness of the rates includes consideration of alternative rate design or structure. In accordance with the provisions of RCW 80.04.130, the burden of proof to show that the rates produced by the filing are just and reasonable shall be upon the respondent.
- 3 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That in accordance with WAC 480-09-700(1)(a), the Commission has determined that good cause exists for this matter to be heard on shortened notice.
- 4 NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN That a prehearing conference in this matter will be held at 1:30 p.m., on Friday, September 7, 2001, in the Commission’s Hearing Room, Second

Floor, Chandler Plaza Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington.

- 5 The purpose of the prehearing conference is to consider formulating the issues in the proceeding, and to determine other matters to aid in its disposition, as specified in WAC 480-09-460. Petitions to intervene should be made in writing prior to the hearing date or made orally at the hearing. The time and place for the evidentiary hearing will be set at the prehearing conference or by later written notice. Appearances will be taken.
- 6 If any party or witness needs an interpreter or other assistance, please fill out the form attached to this notice and return it to the Commission.
- 7 NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT ANY PARTY WHO FAILS TO ATTEND OR PARTICIPATE IN THE HEARING SET BY THIS NOTICE, OR ANY OTHER STAGE OF THIS PROCEEDING, MAY BE HELD IN DEFAULT IN ACCORDANCE WITH RCW 34.05.440. THE PARTIES ARE FURTHER ADVISED THAT THE SANCTION PROVISIONS OF WAC 480-09-700(4) ARE SPECIFICALLY INVOKED.
- 8 The names and mailing addresses of all parties and their known representatives are as follows:

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- 9 Dennis J. Moss has been designated as the Administrative Law Judge from the Utilities and Transportation Commission's Administrative Law Division, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington 98504-7250, and will preside at the prehearing conference.
- 10 Notice of any other procedural phase will be given in writing or on the record as the Commission may deem appropriate during the course of this proceeding.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAROLE J. WASHBURN  
Executive Secretary

August 24, 2001

Inquires may be addressed to:

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# NOTICE

PLEASE BE ADVISED that the hearing facilities are accessible to interested people with disabilities; that smoking is prohibited; and that if limited English-speaking or hearing impaired parties or witnesses are involved in a hearing and need an interpreter, a qualified interpreter will be appointed at no cost to the party or witness.

The information needed to provide an appropriate interpreter or other assistance should be designated below and returned to:

Carole J. Washburn, Executive Secretary  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
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## **(SUPPLY ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION)**

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Hearing Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Hearing Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Language: \_\_\_\_\_

Hearing Impaired (Yes)\_\_\_\_\_ (No)\_\_\_\_\_

Do you need a certified sign language interpreter: (Yes)\_\_\_\_\_ (No)\_\_\_\_\_

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Other type of assistance needed: \_\_\_\_\_

English-speaking person who can be contacted if there are questions:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone No.: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_