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Kathy Hunter Acting Executive Director and Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 621 Woodland Square Loop SE Lacey, Washington 98503

Re: **UE-230708** - Tariff WN U-28, Electric Service – WA Wildfire Expense Balancing Mechanism

Dear Ms. Maxwell:

Attached for electronic filing with the Commission is the following substitute tariff sheet proposed to be effective November 1, 2023:

Substitute Second Revision Sheet 88 Canceling Substitute First Revision Sheet 88

Per discussion with Commission Staff, the Company is filing a substitute tariff sheet to reflect the removal of the Wildfire Resiliency deferred balance of \$1.84 million recorded for the period January 1, 2021, through September 30, 2021. The Company will seek recovery of this balance in a future general rate case proceeding.

In addition, to support the level of costs expended by the Company to date, and expected over the Company's long-term Wildfire Plan, included as Attachment A is the Company's "2023Wildfire Resiliency Plan."

As provided in the revised workpapers accompanying this filing, the total surcharge effective November 1, 2023 is an incremental increase to electric customers of \$1.3 million, or 0.2%. Below, Table 1 illustrates the impact by rate schedule:

Table 1 - Impact by Rate Schedule

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Schedule No.	Rate Schedule	Change in Billed Revenue
1/2	Residential	0.2%
11/12/13	General Service Schedule	0.3%
21/22/23	Large General Service Schedule	0.3%
25	Ext. Lg General Service Schedule	0.1%
25I	Special Contract	0.2%
31/32	Pumping Service Schedule	0.4%
41-48	Street and Area Lights	0.6%
	Overall	0.2%

Enclosed is a set of revised workpapers which shows the derivation of the proposed per kilowatt-hour rate credit proposed to be effective for a twelve-month period beginning November 1, 2023. Also included in the workpapers is transaction level detail of the expenses incurred during the deferral period.

The average residential customer using 932 kWhs per month will see an increase of \$0.19 per month, or approximately 0.2%. The present bill for 932 kWhs is \$87.53 while the proposed bill is \$87.72. The actual bill change will vary based on customer usage.

Please direct any questions regarding this filing to me at (509) 495-8601 or Joe Miller at (509) 495-4546.

Sincerely,

/S/ Elizabeth M. Andrews

Elizabeth M. Andrews Sr. Manager, Revenue Requirements

Enclosures

