BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND) DOCKET UG-950392
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,)
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Complainant,)
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v.) ORDER APPROVING CONTRACT
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PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.,)
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Respondent.)
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BACKGROUND

- I On May 4, 2009, Puget Sound Energy, Inc. ("PSE" or "Company"), filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) Revision Seven to a special contract for delivery of natural gas to the Boeing Company. Revision Seven to the existing contract clarifies that references in the original contract to "tariffed rate schedule for transportation service," "tariffed rate schedule," or "tariffed transportation service" specifically refer to PSE's Schedule 87T.
- 2 Revision Seven also extends the term of the special contract from the present 20 years (expiring on June 1, 2015) to 40 years.
- 3 Revision Seven was filed with an effective date of June 1, 2009. On May 29, 2009, after discussions with Commission Staff, PSE filed a substitute Revision Seven with an effective date of June 12, 2009.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

- (1) The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission is an agency of the State of Washington vested by statute with the authority to regulate rates, rules, regulations, practices, accounts, securities, transfers of property and affiliated interests of public service companies, including gas companies. RCW 80.01.040, *RCW* 80.04, *RCW* 80.08, *RCW* 80.12, *RCW* 80.16 and *RCW* 80.28.
- 4 (2) PSE is a gas company and a public service company subject to Commission jurisdiction.

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- 5 (3) This matter came before the Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on June 11, 2009.
- 6 (4) Revision Seven to the contract is fair, just, reasonable and sufficient and meets the special contract provisions specified in WAC 480-80-143.
- 7 (5) After reviewing the revision to the contract PSE filed in Docket UG-950392 and giving due consideration, the Commission finds it is consistent with the public interest to approve Revision Seven to the contract to become effective on June 12, 2009.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 8 (1) The Revision Seven to the contract Puget Sound Energy, Inc., filed in this docket on May 4, 2009, shall become effective on June 12, 2009.
- 9 (3) The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter of this proceeding and Puget Sound Energy, Inc., to effectuate the terms of this Order.

The Commissioners, having determined this Order to be consistent with the public interest, directed the Executive Director and Secretary to enter this Order.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective June 11, 2009.

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DAVID W. DANNER, Executive Director and Secretary