

**Exh. BLH-10
UE-240004/UG-240005/UE-230810
Witness: Byron Harmon**

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

**WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,**

Complainant,

v.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY,

Respondent.

**DOCKETS UE-240004,
UG-240005 and UE-230810
(Consolidated)**

EXHIBIT TO TESTIMONY OF

BYRON LLOYD HARMON

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WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

PSE Response to Staff Data Request No. 190

August 6, 2024

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

**Dockets UE-240004 & UG-240005
Puget Sound Energy
2024 General Rate Case**

WUTC STAFF DATA REQUEST NO. 190:

REQUESTED BY: Byron Harmon

RE: Equity

In the Direct Testimony of Troy A. Hutson, Exh. TAH-1T, page 29, PSE states, “PSE uses the International Association for Public Participation (“IAP2”) spectrum, which defines five levels of public participation: inform, consult, involve, collaborate, and empower.” Please answer the following questions:

1. Among instances when PSE has used the IAP2 spectrum, what is the preponderance or frequency of each level of participation?
2. Has the frequency or preponderance of each level of participation changed over time?
3. Does PSE have plans to change the frequency or preponderance of each level of participation changed over time?

Response:

Puget Sound Energy (“PSE”) does not track the frequency of instances at each level of the IAP2 spectrum. PSE uses the IAP2 spectrum as a tool to guide the public engagement process. In doing so, different levels of the spectrum may be used in a single meeting or event. For example, an IRP public meeting may include three different topics, each of which uses a different level of the spectrum. Those same topics may later contribute to a single decision or recommendation making it difficult to assess the specific level used to inform that recommendation or decision (i.e., does PSE use the highest or lowest level or somehow average the levels?). As a result of these complexities, PSE does not believe reporting the frequency of activities occurring at each spectrum level is meaningful, nor is it aligned with the intent of the spectrum in general.