BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

BELLINGHAM COLD STORAGE COMPANY and GEORGIA-PACIFIC WEST, INC., V. PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC., Respondent. NO. UE-001014 NO. UE-000735

STATUS REPORT

1. Puget Sound Energy, Inc., ("PSE") files this Status Report in accordance with the Sixth Supplemental Order Granting Continuance ("Order") issued in these proceedings by the Commission on August 24, 2000.

2. On August 21, 2000, the PSE, Bellingham Cold Storage Company ("BCS"), and Georgia-Pacific West, Inc., ("GP") (collectively, the "Parties") jointly moved for a 60-day continuance to facilitate good-faith settlement discussions.

The Commission issued the Order granting such continuance, on August 24,
2000.

4. Subsequent to the issuance of the Order, the Parties have participated in good-faith discussions and are diligently working to settle their differences. These discussions are ongoing, and as of the date of this Status Report, the PSE believes that progress is being made toward settlement.

5. On Friday, October 6, 2000, PSE caused to be delivered to counsel for GP and for BCS a proposed "Joint Status Report" and a proposed "Joint Motion Of Complainants And Respondent To Continue Proceedings For 60 Days." Counsel for

GP has not responded to PSE's proposals. Counsel for BCS informed PSE at

11:20 a.m. this morning that he would not sign the proposed Joint Status Report or the proposed Joint Motion. Counsel for GP and/or BCS have not submitted, for PSE's consideration, an alternative proposal for a joint status report.

6. PSE believes that it would be beneficial to continue settlement discussions.

Respectfully submitted this _____ day of _____, 2000

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