

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON  
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND  
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY,

Respondent.

DOCKET UG-200112

OFFER OF PUBLIC COMMENT  
EXHIBIT

1. Public Counsel hereby offers this Public Comment Exhibit for admission into the record of the proceeding.
2. Public Comment Exhibit. The exhibit consists of remarks given by telephone, as well as letters, e-mails, and other written materials submitted by the public to comment on Puget Sound Energy's (PSE) sale of their water heater rental service to Grand HVAC Leasing USA, LLC (GHL). The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission ("Commission") and the Public Counsel Unit of the Washington Attorney General's Office ("Public Counsel") received and compiled these comments.
3. PSE customers provided comments via the telephone, e-mail, letter, and through the Commission's online comment web portal. Comments received via e-mail and internet have no original hard copies to submit. Commission Consumer Protection and Communications Staff documented and entered comments into a database matrix, and scanned in materials received through the mail into .pdf-formatted files. The database matrix references these attachments specifically. The output from this database is included in .pdf format as an attachment to this

exhibit,<sup>1</sup> and this one file, along with three .pdf file attachments,<sup>2</sup> provide all comments submitted to the Commission. Public Counsel received 11 individual comments from PSE customers via e-mail, six of which are non-duplicative of comments received by the Commission, which we converted into .pdf files and include as attachments.<sup>3</sup>

4. The submitted material has been counted as follows:

a. Comments received by WUTC

Opposing the rate increase 37

Supporting the rate increase 3

Undecided comments 15

b. Comments received by Public Counsel

Opposing the rate increase 2

Supporting the rate increase 0

Undecided Comments 4

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<sup>1</sup> See Comment Matrix ('200112 UTC CmtMatrix 07-20-2020.pdf').

<sup>2</sup> These attachments consist of individual comments from Dave Condon, John Keliher, and Charles Petschke.

<sup>3</sup> Public Counsel includes thirteen additional attachments consisting of comments of Virginia Anderson, Stephen Beer, Michaelen and Phil Berger, H. Marie Elings, Kevin Johnston, Carolyn LaFond, Vicki Lockwood, Douglas Sanner (two attachments), Brenda Swidler, Renette and Scott Villella, and Robert Westvang (two attachments). Comments of Anderson, Johnston, Lockwood, Sanner, and Westvang are duplicative of those received by the Commission, so are not tallied into the total count in paragraph '4,' but are included for completeness.

5. Public Counsel submits a total of 61 public comments in the exhibit. Of these, 39 oppose the requested sale and three support the request. Nineteen (19) neither oppose nor support PSE's request.

DATED this 20th day of July, 2020.

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