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Mr. Mark L. Johnson, Executive Director and Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 621 Woodland Square Loop SE Lacey, WA 98503

RE: 2020 Qualifying Event Notice – December 21, 2020 Event

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Pursuant to paragraph 246 of Final Order No. 6, Dockets UE-040641 and UG-040640 et al.<sup>1</sup>, for the purpose of the Qualifying Storm Loss Deferral Mechanism, Puget Sound Energy ("PSE") hereby provides a notification that a qualifying event occurred on December 21, 2020, which marked the seventh event for 2020.

Under its storm deferral reporting requirements last decided in Docket UE-170033<sup>2</sup>, PSE will submit, by March 21, 2021, its seventh 2020 Qualifying Event Report that summarizes the preliminary costs incurred as a result of repairing storm damage to PSE's electric system because of the December 21st event.

In this report, PSE will indicate if the total restoration costs associated with the events meet the \$500,000 individual event threshold that is required to be met for each event prior to deferral of any costs and, if so, the amount of the costs that apply toward the \$10 million cumulative annual threshold for 2020. The amount of storm restoration costs can be deferred if both event and annual thresholds are exceeded.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As modified and continued in accordance with the paragraph No. 10 of the Partial Settlement of Electric and Natural Gas Revenue Requirements in Final Order No. 12 of Dockets UE-072300 and UG-072301 (consolidated), paragraph No. 299 of Order 08 of Dockets UE-111048 and UG-111049 (consolidated), and paragraph No. 206 of Order 08 of Dockets UE-170033 and UG-170034 (consolidated).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Paragraph No. 196 of Order 08 in Dockets UE-170033 and UG-170034 (consolidated) and Appendix B to the order.

Mr. Mark L. Johnson December 29, 2020

If you have any questions regarding the information in this notice, please contact Mei Cass at 425-462-3800. If you have any other questions, please contact me at (425) 456-2142.

Sincerely,

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