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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: 2021 Qualifying Event Notice – June 26, 2021 Event

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Pursuant to paragraph 246 of Final Order No. 6, Dockets UE-040641 and UG-040640 et al. 1, for the purpose of the Qualifying Storm Loss Deferral Mechanism, Puget Sound Energy ("PSE") hereby provides notification that a qualifying weather-related event started on June 26, 2021, which marked the third event for 2021.

Outages due to equipment failures increase significantly when temperatures approach 100 degrees. The record-setting heat-wave weather event that occurred in late June caused outages that resulted in PSE exceeding the IEEE 1366<sup>2</sup> T<sub>MED</sub> threshold. Therefore, the weather-related event has been determined to be a qualifying event, which lasted from June 26, 2021, through June 29, 2021.

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) 456-2105.

<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> "IEEE Guide for Electric Power Distribution Reliability Indices," in IEEE Std 1366-2012 (Revision of IEEE Std 1366-2003), vol., no., pp.1-43, 31 May 2012, doi: 10.1109/IEEESTD.2012.6209381.

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Sincerely,

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