

**Exh. CSH-4  
Dockets UE-170033/UG-170034  
Witness: Christopher S. Hancock**

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON  
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

**WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND  
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,**

**Complainant,**

**v.**

**PUGET SOUND ENERGY,**

**Respondent.**

**DOCKETS UE-170033 and  
UG-170034 (*Consolidated*)**

**EXHIBIT TO  
TESTIMONY OF**

**Christopher S. Hancock**

**STAFF OF  
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND  
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

***PSE Response to Staff Data Request No. 16***

**June 30, 2017**

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**Dockets UE-170033 and UG-170034  
Puget Sound Energy  
2017 General Rate Case**

**WUTC STAFF DATA REQUEST NO. 016**

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What is the source or rationale of the presumed 2.50% inflation rate referenced on pages 47 (lines 3-4) and 54 (lines 9-10) of Exhibit RJR-1T?

**Response:**

The source of the presumed 2.50% inflation rate referenced on pages 47 (lines 3-4) and 54 (lines 9-10) in the Prefiled Direct Testimony of Ronald J. Roberts, Exhibit No. \_\_\_ (RJR-1CT), is Puget Sound Energy's ("PSE") Integrated Resource Plan ("IRP"). PSE's 2015 IRP and the work for the 2017 IRP both use 2.50% for inflation rate calculations.