

**BEFORE THE**  
**WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND  
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY,

Respondent.

DOCKETS UE-220066 and  
UG-220067 (*consolidated*)

In the Matter of the Petition of

PUGET SOUND ENERGY

For an Order Authorizing Deferred  
Accounting Treatment for Puget Sound  
Energy's Share of Costs Associated with the  
Tacoma LNG Facility

DOCKET UG-210918

**EXHIBIT AZA-2**  
**QUALIFICATIONS OF ALI AL-JABIR**  
**JULY 28, 2022**

**Qualifications of Ali Al-Jabir**

1 **Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.**

2 A. Ali Al-Jabir. My business address is 5151 Flynn Parkway, Suite 412 C/D, Corpus Christi,  
3 Texas, 78411.

4 **Q. WHAT IS YOUR OCCUPATION AND BY WHOM ARE YOU EMPLOYED?**

5 A. I am a consultant in the field of public utility regulation and an Associate with the firm of  
6 Brubaker & Associates, Inc. ("BAI").

7 **Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND.**

8 A. I am a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin ("UT-Austin"). I hold the degrees of  
9 Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts in Economics, both from UT-Austin. I have also  
10 completed course work at Harvard University. I received my B.A. degree with highest  
11 honors, and I am a member of the Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society.

12 **Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR EXPERIENCE.**

13 A. I joined BAI in January 1997. My work consists of preparing economic studies and  
14 economic policy analysis related to investor-owned, cooperative, and municipal utilities.  
15 Prior to joining BAI, I was employed at the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("Texas  
16 Commission") since 1991, where I held various positions including Policy Advisor to the  
17 Chairman. As Policy Advisor, I advised the Chairman on policy decisions in numerous  
18 rate and rulemaking proceedings. In 1995, I advised the Texas Legislature on the  
19 development of the statutory framework for wholesale competition in the Electric  
20 Reliability Council of Texas ("ERCOT"), and I was involved in subsequent rulemakings  
21 at the Texas Commission to implement wholesale open access transmission service in the  
22 region.

1           During my tenure at the Texas Commission and in my present capacity, I have  
2 reviewed and analyzed several electric utility base rate and fuel filings in Texas. I have  
3 also worked on utility rate, fuel, and merger proceedings and rulemakings in Virginia,  
4 Missouri, Colorado, Indiana, Alberta, Pennsylvania, North Carolina, South Carolina,  
5 Michigan and Nova Scotia. In addition to my work on such proceedings, I have drafted  
6 policy papers, comments and affidavits regarding electric industry restructuring,  
7 competitive policy and market design issues in Texas, Alabama, Louisiana, Georgia, and  
8 Delaware, as well as before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. I have been an  
9 invited speaker at several electric utility industry conferences, and I have presented  
10 seminars on utility regulation and industry restructuring.

11           BAI and its predecessor firm have been active in utility rate and economic  
12 consulting since 1937. The firm provides consulting services in the field of public utility  
13 regulation to many clients, including large industrial and institutional customers, some  
14 competitive retail power providers and utilities and, on occasion, state regulatory agencies.  
15 In addition, we have prepared depreciation and feasibility studies relating to utility service.  
16 We assist in the negotiation of contracts and the solicitation and procurement of  
17 competitive energy supplies for large energy users, provide economic policy analysis on  
18 industry restructuring issues, and present seminars on utility regulation. In general, we are  
19 engaged in regulatory consulting, economic analysis, energy procurement, and contract  
20 negotiation.

21           In addition to our main office in St. Louis, the firm also has branch offices in Corpus  
22 Christi, Texas; Detroit, Michigan; Louisville, Kentucky and Phoenix, Arizona.

1 **Q. HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY FILED TESTIMONY IN CONTESTED UTILITY**  
2 **PROCEEDINGS?**

3 A. Yes, I have filed written testimony in the following dockets:

- 4 1. Texas Docket No. 10035 – Application of West Texas Utilities Company to  
5 Reconcile Fuel Costs and for Authority to Change Fixed Fuel Factors;
- 6 2. Texas Docket No. 10200 – Application of the Texas - New Mexico Power Company  
7 for Authority to Change Rates;
- 8 3. Texas Docket No. 10325 – Application of the Central Texas Electric Cooperative,  
9 Inc. for Authority to Change Rates;
- 10 4. Texas Docket No. 10600 – Application of the Brazos River Authority for Approval  
11 of Rates;
- 12 5. Texas Docket No. 10881 – Application of the New Era Electric Cooperative, Inc. for  
13 Authority to Change Rates;
- 14 6. Texas Docket No. 11244 – Petition of the Medina Electric Cooperative, Inc. to  
15 Reduce its Fixed Fuel Factor and the Application of the South Texas Electric  
16 Cooperative, Inc. for Authority to Refund an Over-Recovery of Fuel Cost Revenues  
17 and to Reduce its Fixed Fuel Factor;
- 18 7. Texas Docket No. 11271 – Application of Bowie-Cass Electric Cooperative, Inc. for  
19 Authority to Change Rates;
- 20 8. Texas Docket No. 11567 – Application of Kaufman County Electric Cooperative,  
21 Inc. for Authority to Change Rates;
- 22 9. Texas Docket No. 18607 – Application of West Texas Utilities Company for  
23 Authority to Reconcile Fuel Costs;
- 24 10. Texas Docket No. 20290 – Application of Central Power & Light Company for  
25 Authority to Reconcile Fuel Costs;
- 26 11. Virginia Case No. PUE980814 – In the matter of considering an electricity retail  
27 access pilot program: American Electric Power – Virginia;
- 28 12. Texas Docket No. 21111 – Application of Entergy Gulf States Inc. for Authority to  
29 Reconcile Fuel Costs and to Recover a Surcharge for Under-Recovered Fuel Costs;
- 30 13. Virginia Case No. PUE990717 – Application of Virginia Electric and Power  
31 Company to Revise Its Fuel Factor Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 56-249.6;

- 1 14. Texas Docket No. 22344 – Generic Issues Associated with Applications for Approval  
2 of Unbundled Cost of Service Rates Pursuant to PURA Section 39.201 and Public  
3 Utility Commission Substantive Rule § 25.344;
- 4 15. Texas Docket No. 22350 – Application of TXU Electric Company for Approval of  
5 Unbundled Cost of Service Rates Pursuant to PURA Section 39.201 and Public  
6 Utility Commission Substantive Rule 25.344 (Phase III);
- 7 16. Texas Docket No. 22352 – Application of Central Power and Light Company for  
8 Approval of Unbundled Cost of Service Rates Pursuant to PURA Section 39.201 and  
9 Public Utility Commission Substantive Rule 25.344 (Final Phase);
- 10 17. Texas Docket No. 22353 – Application of Southwestern Electric Power Company for  
11 Approval of Unbundled Cost of Service Rates Pursuant to PURA Section 39.201 and  
12 Public Utility Commission Substantive Rule 25.344 (Final Phase);
- 13 18. Texas Docket No. 22354 – Application of West Texas Utilities Company for  
14 Approval of Unbundled Cost of Service Rates Pursuant to PURA Section 39.201 and  
15 Public Utility Commission Substantive Rule 25.344 (Final Phase);
- 16 19. Texas Docket No. 22356 – Application of Entergy Gulf States, Inc. for Approval of  
17 Unbundled Cost of Service Rates Pursuant to PURA Section 39.201 and Public  
18 Utility Commission Substantive Rule 25.344;
- 19 20. Texas Docket No. 22349 – Application of Texas-New Mexico Power Company for  
20 Approval of Unbundled Cost of Service Rates Pursuant to PURA Section 39.201 and  
21 Public Utility Commission Substantive Rule 25.344 (Final Phase);
- 22 21. Virginia Case No. PUE000584 – Application of Virginia Electric and Power  
23 Company for Approval of a Functional Separation Plan under the Virginia Electric  
24 Utility Restructuring Act;
- 25 22. Texas Docket No. 24468 – Staff’s Petition to Determine Readiness for Retail  
26 Competition in the Portions of Texas Within the Southwest Power Pool;
- 27 23. Texas Docket No. 24469 – Staff’s Petition to Determine Readiness for Retail  
28 Competition in the Portions of Texas Within the Southeastern Electric Reliability  
29 Council;
- 30 24. Virginia Case No. PUE-2002-00377 – Application of Virginia Electric and Power  
31 Company to Revise Its Fuel Factor Pursuant to Section 56-249.6 of the Code of  
32 Virginia;
- 33 25. Texas Docket No. 27035 – Application of Central Power and Light Company for  
34 Authority to Reconcile Fuel Costs;

- 1 26. Texas Docket No. 28818 – Application of Entergy Gulf States, Inc. for Certification  
2 of an Independent Organization for the Entergy Settlement Area in Texas;
- 3 27. Virginia Case No. PUE-2000-00550 -- Appalachian Power Company d/b/a American  
4 Electric Power: Regional Transmission Entities;
- 5 28. Texas Docket No. 29408 – Application of Entergy Gulf States, Inc. for the Authority  
6 to Reconcile Fuel Costs;
- 7 29. Texas Docket No. 29801 – Application of Southwestern Public Service Company  
8 for: (1) Reconciliation of its Fuel Costs for 2002 and 2003; (2) A Finding of Special  
9 Circumstances; and (3) Related Relief;
- 10 30. Texas Docket No. 30143 -- Petition of El Paso Electric Company to Reconcile Fuel  
11 Costs;
- 12 31. Texas Docket No. 31540 – Proceeding to Consider Protocols to Implement a Nodal  
13 Market in the Electric Reliability Council of Texas Pursuant to PUC Substantive Rule  
14 25.501;
- 15 32. Texas Docket No. 32795 – Staff’s Petition to Initiate a Generic Proceeding to Re-  
16 Allocate Stranded Costs Pursuant to PURA Section 39.253(f);
- 17 33. Texas Docket No. 33309 – Application of AEP Texas Central Company for Authority  
18 to Change Rates;
- 19 34. Texas Docket No. 33310 – Application of AEP Texas North Company for Authority  
20 to Change Rates;
- 21 35. Michigan Case No. U-15245 – In the Matter of the Application of Consumers Energy  
22 Company for Authority to Increase its Rates for the Generation and Distribution of  
23 Electricity and for Other Rate Relief;
- 24 36. Texas Docket No. 34800 – Application of Entergy Gulf States, Inc. for Authority to  
25 Change Rates and to Reconcile Fuel Costs;
- 26 37. Texas Docket No. 35717 – Application of Oncor Electric Delivery Company LLC  
27 for Authority to Change Rates.
- 28 38. RIPUC Docket No. 4065 – Application of the Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a  
29 National Grid for Approval of a Change in Electric Base Distribution Rates Pursuant  
30 to R.I.G.L. Sections 39-3-10 and 39-3-11;
- 31 39. RIPUC Docket No. 4323 – Application of the Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a  
32 National Grid for Approval of a Change in Electric and Gas Base Distribution Rates  
33 Pursuant to R.I.G.L. Sections 39-3-10 and 39-1-3-11;

- 1           40. Oregon Docket No. UE 283 -- In the Matter of Portland General Electric Company's  
2           Request for a General Rate Revision;
- 3           41. Washington Docket No. UE-141368 – In the Matter of the Petition of Puget Sound  
4           Energy to Update Methodologies Used to Allocate Electric Cost of Service and for  
5           Electric Rate Design Purposes;
- 6           42. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Docket No. EL15-82-000 -- Illinois  
7           Industrial Energy Consumers, Complainant, v. Midcontinent Independent System  
8           Operator, Inc., Respondent;
- 9           43. RIPUC Docket No. 4568 – In Re: Review of the Narragansett Electric Company  
10          d/b/a National Grid's Rate Design Pursuant to R.I. General Laws Section 39-26.6-  
11          24;
- 12          44. Washington Docket Nos. UE-170033 and UG-170034 – Washington Utilities and  
13          Transportation Commission, Complainant, v. Puget Sound Energy, Respondent;
- 14          45. RIPUC Docket No. 4770 – The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid  
15          – Application for Approval of a Change in Electric and Gas Base Distribution Rates;
- 16          46. RIPUC Docket No. 4780 – The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid  
17          – Proposed Power Sector Transformation Vision and Implementation Plan;
- 18          47. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Docket Nos. ER19-1486-000 and ER19-58-  
19          000, Enhanced Price Formation In Reserve Markets of PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.;
- 20          48. Texas Docket No. 49494 – Application of AEP Texas Inc. for Authority to Change  
21          Rates;
- 22          49. Washington Docket Nos. UE-190529 and UG-190530 – Washington Utilities and  
23          Transportation Commission, Complainant, v. Puget Sound Energy, Respondent;
- 24          50. New Mexico Case No. 20-00121-UT -- In the Matter of the Petition of Public Service  
25          Company of New Mexico, Pursuant to the Efficient Use of Energy Act and the Public  
26          Utility Act, for Approval of a Rate Adjustment Mechanism to Remove Regulatory  
27          Disincentives and Original Rider No. 52;
- 28          51. Texas Docket No. 51415 – Application of Southwestern Electric Power Company for  
29          Authority to Change Rates; and
- 30          52. Alberta Proceeding No. 26911 – In the Matter of the Alberta Utilities Commission  
31          Act, S.A. 2007, c. A-37.2, as Amended, and the Regulations Made Thereunder, and  
32          In the Matter of the AESO Bulk and Regional Rate Design and Modernized DOS  
33          Rate Design Application