

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

In the Matter of the Petition of	)	DOCKET NO. UE-980877
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PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.,	)	
	)	
Petitioner,	)	
	)	
For Authorization Regarding a	)	
Change in the Filing Date of	)	2 <sup>nd</sup> SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER
Virtual Right-of-Way (VROW)	)	GRANTING CHANGE IN
Program Annual Report	)	FILING DATE
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**BACKGROUND**

1     On August 15, 2003, Puget Sound Energy, Inc., (“PSE” or “the Company”) filed with the Commission a petition regarding Docket No. UE-980877 requesting changing the filing date of Virtual Right-of-Way (VROW) Program annual report. (The program is also known as “Tree Watch”.) According to the Company’s petition, a report in the springtime provides the most useful information. PSE requests that the Commission authorize an amendment of the order issued on July 8, 1998, under Docket No. UE-980877, to formally reflect the change of the annual VROW Program Report filing date from September 30 to May 1.

**FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS**

2     (1)     The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission is an agency of the State of Washington vested by statute with the authority to regulate rates, rules, regulations, practices, accounts, securities, and transfers of public service companies, including electric companies. *RCW 80.01.040; Chapter 80.04 RCW and Chapter 80.28 RCW.*

- 3 (2) PSE is an electric company and is a public service company subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.
- 4 (3) Commission Staff Reviewed the petition and recommends the Commission amend the Original Order.
- 5 (4) This matter was brought before the Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on September 10, 2003.
- 6 (5) After review of the petition filed in Docket UE-980877 by PSE on August 15, 2003, and giving due consideration, the Commission finds that the Petition is reasonable and should be authorized.

## ORDER

### THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 7 (1) The Petition of Puget Sound Energy, Inc., is granted.
- 8 (2) The annual reporting date for the Virtual Right-of-Way (or Tree Watch) Program is amended to May 1.
- 9 (3) The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and Puget Sound Energy, Inc., to effectuate the provisions of this Order.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 10<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2003.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MARILYN SHOWALTER, Chairwoman

PATRICK J. OSHIE, Commissioner