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NOTICE EXTENDING DEADLINE FOR ENTRY OF INITIAL ORDER

Re: In the Matter of the Petition of Puget Sound Energy for Penalty Mitigation Associated with Service Quality Index No. 11-Electric Safety Response Time Annual Performance for Period Ending December 31, 2021, Docket UE-220216

TO ALL PARTIES:

On March 29, 2022, Puget Sound Energy (PSE or Company) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) a Petition for Penalty Mitigation (Petition). The Petition requested that the Commission enter an order waiving the \$613,636 penalty associated with PSE's Service Quality Index No. 11-Electric Safety Response Time. The penalty resulted from PSE's failure to meet the 55-minute average benchmark for the arrival of an electric first responder following a customer service call.

On June 22, 2022, the Commission entered Order 02, Prehearing Conference Order; Notice of Hearing (Order 02) that, among other things, established a procedural schedule in this matter including an evidentiary hearing on March 22, 2023.

On March 13, 2023, the Commission issued Order 03 Granting Motion (Order 03) which modified the procedural schedule, canceled the evidentiary hearing and determined that the proceeding should proceed on a paper record.

Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 480-07-820(3) provides that the presiding officer will enter an initial order 60 days after receiving final briefs but allows that this deadline may be extended for good cause.

The Commission finds good cause to extend the deadline for filing an initial order in this docket due to the workload of the assigned administrative law judges.

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THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That the period for entry of an initial order in this proceeding is extended 60 days provided in WAC 480-07-820(3).

/s/ Michael Howard
MICHAEL HOWARD
Administrative Law Judge