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Dockets UE-170033/UG-170034

Witness: Elizabeth O'Connell

# BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

DOCKETS UE-170033 and UG-170034 (Consolidated)

Complainant,

v.

**PUGET SOUND ENERGY,** 

Respondent.

### EXHIBIT TO TESTIMONY OF

Elizabeth C. O'Connell

### STAFF OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

PSE's response to Staff data request 282.

June 30, 2017

### BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

## Puget Sound Energy 2017 General Rate Case

### **WUTC STAFF DATA REQUEST NO. 282**

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### **RE: Environmental Remediation Projects adjustment**

Referring to PSE workpaper "6.19E & 6.19G Environmental 17GRC.xlsx," please provide the date when the Company acquired the assets associated with the remediation projects identified as:

- a. Env Rem White River/Buckley Phase II Burn Pile and Wood Debris (SAP Account 18232251)
- b. Env Rem Snoqualmie Hydro Generation (Power Plant) (SAP Account 18608021)
- c. Thea Foss Waterway (Remediation Costs) (SAP Account 18608712)
- d. Post-Nov 2012 Gas Works Park (Remediation Costs) (SAP Account 18609432)
- e. Pre-Nov 2012 Gas Works Park (Remediation Costs) (SAP Account 18608412)
- f. Pre-Nov 2012 Lake Union Sediments (Remediation Costs) (SAP Account 18609312)
- g. Post-June 1999 Tacoma Tar Pits (Remediation Costs) (SAP Account 18608112)
- h. Pre-June 1999 Tacoma Tar Pits (Remediation Costs) (SAP Account 18608112)

#### Response:

Puget Sound Energy ("PSE") responds to WUTC Staff Data Request No. 282 as follows:

a. PSE acquired this property in approximately 1900. The property is part of the White River Hydroelectric facility that finished construction in 1912 and was decommissioned in 2004.

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- b. The Snoqualmie Hydroelectric Plant was constructed in the late 1800s with operation beginning in 1899. Contamination from past operations was discovered and remediated.
- c. This is not a PSE asset. The Thea Foss Waterway is a body of water that is located next to a former manufactured gas plant that was constructed in 1884. PSE predecessors purchased a portion of the plant in approximately 1928. Contamination that was present in the waterway has been determined to be related to the operation of the manufactured gas plant.
- d. Predecessors of PSE constructed a manufactured gas plant on Browns Point (now known as Gas Works Park) in Seattle in 1906 and maintained ownership until approximately 1972 when the City of Seattle completed the purchase of the property to develop a city park.
- e. See PSE's response to (d).
- f. This was not an owned asset but a body of water (Lake Union) that sits adjacent to Gas Works Park and has been impacted by the operation of the manufactured gas plant as well as other industries. PSE is a Potentially Liable Party for contamination present in the sediment.
- g. PSE predecessors owned and operated a manufactured gas plant from approximately 1927 to 1956 at this site.
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