BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, Complainant,

v.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, Respondent.

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

EXHIBIT TO TESTIMONY OF

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PSE Response to UTC Staff Data Request No. 195

July 28, 2022
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Puget Sound Energy
2022 General Rate Case

WUTC STAFF DATA REQUEST NO. 195:
REQUESTED BY: David Gomez

Re: Capital Planning

Provide documents showing plans and timelines for the equity assessment referenced in the April 25th meeting with Commission Staff about equity in the capital planning process.

Response:

Please see Puget Sound Energy’s (“PSE”) 2021 Clean Energy Implementation Plan (“CEIP”), Chapter 8, page 234, that shows the list of commitments and a timeline for building the equity assessment referenced in the April 25, 2022, meeting with Commission Staff. PSE provides the following summation of this timeline in response to WUTC Staff Data Request No. 195, which includes the following tasks:

- End of Q2, 2022 – Develop data sources for metrics related to customer benefit indicators and any baseline data not already included in this CEIP.

- Q4, 2022 – Engage with highly impacted communities and vulnerable populations to begin designing programs that mitigate existing disparities, are accessible and affordable, and bring benefits directly to these customers that can be measured through the customer benefit indicators.

- End of Q4, 2022 – Assess and measure the disparities within existing programs and work with customers and stakeholders to begin to understand root factors causing disparities.

- By the end of 2023 – Work with stakeholders to identify and develop future customer benefit indicators, including the potential for measuring fish and wildlife impacts, wildfire impacts, sense of pride and self-sufficiency, and indoor air quality, and provide an update in the 2023 biennial CEIP update.

By the end of 2023 – Continue working on methodology for scoring and weighing customer benefit indicators for the next CEIP and provide an update in the 2023 biennial CEIP update.

As discussed in the CEIP, these are the building blocks for the equity assessment and PSE will continue to work on these elements in greater details in preparation for the 2023 CEIP update.