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# BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

**Docket UE-220066 Docket UG-220067** 

v.

**PUGET SOUND ENERGY,** 

Respondent.

# FIRST EXHIBIT (PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS) TO THE PREFILED RESPONSE TESTIMONY OF

**AMY E. WHEELESS** 

ON BEHALF OF NW ENERGY COALITION, FRONT AND CENTERED, AND SIERRA CLUB

## **Amy Wheeless**

#### **Professional Experience**

### **NW Energy Coalition, Seattle, WA**

June 2017 – Present, Senior Policy Associate

- Lead policy development and advocacy in Washington State on energy efficiency, gas utility decarbonization policy, utility regulatory policy, and other issues key to the clean energy transition.
- Build relationships with other stakeholders to align on strategy that supports a clean and affordable energy future.
- As needed, help manage staff workloads, review work products, and respond to questions affecting the organization's strategy.

#### Shift Zero, Seattle, WA

January 2019 - April 2022, Co-Chair

January 2018 – Present, Steering Committee Member

• With two other co-chairs and our managing director, helped guide a nascent nonprofit alliance of organizations that are together dedicated to advancing zero carbon buildings for all communities in Washington State.

#### Emerald Cities Seattle, Seattle, WA

January 2019 – Present, Executive Committee Board Member

• Serve as a member of the committee overseeing the Seattle chapter of Emerald Cities Collaborative, a national nonprofit network of organizations working to advance a sustainable and equitable environment and economy.

#### Collaborative Efficiency, Seattle, WA

May 2015 - October 2016, Associate

- Consultant to utilities on clean energy issues, which included research and reports for utility and general audiences.
- Set up project management systems to help internal operations run more smoothly.

#### EQ Research, Cary, NC

August 2013 – February 2016, Contract Consultant (remote)

Researched state- and utility-level programs that encourage energy efficiency and renewable energy use.

#### Ross Strategic, Seattle, WA

June 2015 – September 2015, Temporary Associate

October 2007 – June 2011, Associate and Research Associate

- Consultant for environmental policy projects for government and non-profit clients, including program evaluations, stakeholder facilitation processes, policy research, and report writing.
- Served as project manager on numerous projects, which included budgeting, requesting contract amendments, managing staff workload, and communicating with clients on project status.

#### North Carolina Solar Center, Raleigh, NC (now NC Clean Energy Technology Center)

May 2005 – September 2007, Policy Researcher

 Contributed research to the Database of State Incentives for Renewables & Efficiency (DSIRE) on utility, state, and local programs and regulations that encourage energy efficiency and renewable energy use.

#### **Education**

- University of Washington, Daniel J. Evans School of Public Policy and Governance: Master of Public Administration, Focus: Energy & Environmental Policy; Cert. in Environmental Management
- North Carolina State University: Bachelor's degrees in Political Science and Chemistry; Minor in Economics