

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND  
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.,

Respondent.

DOCKETS UE-072300 and UG-  
072301 (consolidated)

COMMISSION STAFF'S  
RESPONSE TO PUGET SOUND  
ENERGY, INC.'S PETITION FOR  
EXCLUSION OF JANUARY 2012  
STORM EVENT FROM SQI-3  
PERFORMANCE CALCULATION


- I. Commission Staff has reviewed the petition of Puget Sound Energy, Inc. (PSE) for an order authorizing PSE to exclude the customer outage minutes, associated with the unusual January 2012 snow, wind, and ice storm weather events, from the performance calculation of PSE's Service Quality Index (SQI) No. 3-System Average Interruption Duration Index (SAIDI) for SQI years 2012 and after, as described in the petition. The total SQI effect of the customer outage minutes associated with the January 2012 weather events is 1,269 SAIDI minutes. Staff has no objection to PSE's petition. Staff further notes, in this regard, that the Commission previously granted a similar request by PSE in this docket, pertaining to exclusion of the effects of the 2006 Hanukah Eve Storm. *See Order 17, Granting PSE's Petition for Approval of Modifications to Its Service Quality Index Program*, November 29, 2010, at paragraph 27 ("Puget Sound Energy's request to exclude

the effect of 2006 total SAID results of 2,636 minutes from the five year rolling performance calculation for the 2010 reporting year is granted.”)

DATED this 26<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

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