

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND

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Docket Nos. UT-010988, TG-010989, UE-010990, UE-010995, and UT-010996

Case Name: Brannan, et al. v. Qwest Corporation, Sanitary Service Company, Inc. and Puget Sound Energy, Inc.

McNeil, et al v. Puget Sound Energy, Inc and Verison Northwest, Inc.

We respectfully request at least a 30 day extension to respond to the Commissions request in regards to a legal memorandum in support of our position as to whether we feel the Commission has jurisdiction over these complaints which are due September 17, 2001.

The reasons being that we are not represented by an attorney at this time and also that we have not had adequate time from the time we were informed by mail on September 5 and the due date of September 17, 2001 to obtain any knowledge of what the Utility Commission has in regards to jurisdiction when it comes to tribal governments demands on non- members on feelands. We have no idea what the RCW's and WAC's referred to mean. Unlike the Utility Commission, Tribes and Major Corporations we do not have staff attorneys or attorney firms on retainers. Therefore we at a real disadvantage in regards to these procedures.

It wasn't until today September 11, 2001, that I was able to talk to an AG at the Utility Commission office to find out that we must respond or may have our case dismissed due to default. As I said we are not attorneys and at this point are representing our selves, due to lack of any legal funds at this time and no knowledge of an attorney that knows Washington State Codes and regulations that apply to the Utility Commission.

Thank you for your time and consideration regarding this request.

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