

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

ALEXANDER AND ELENA
ARGUNOV, THOMAS AND HEIDI
JOHNSON, CHAD AND VICTORIA
GROESBECK,

Complainants,

v.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY,
Respondent.

DOCKET UE-220701

NOTICE OF VIRTUAL
PREHEARING CONFERENCE
**(Set for October 24, 2022,
at 2:30 p.m.)**

1 On September 15, 2022, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
(Commission) served on Puget Sound Energy (PSE or Company) the formal complaint
(Complaint) of Alexander and Elena Argunov, Thomas and Heidi Johnson, and Chad and
Victoria Groesbeck (Complainants). The Complaint alleges that PSE violated several
Commission rules contained in Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 480-100.

2 **STATUTORY AUTHORITY:** The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter under
Title 80 RCW and has legal authority to regulate electric companies. The statutes that
apply to this matter include Chapters 80.01 RCW, 80.04 RCW, and 80.28 RCW relating
to rates, including but not limited to RCW 80.01.040, RCW 80.04.020, RCW 80.28.010.
The rules that apply to this matter include those within Chapters 480-100 WAC, relating
to electric companies.

3 The Commission will hear this matter under the Administrative Procedure Act (APA),
particularly Part IV of Chapter 34.05 RCW relating to adjudications. The provisions of
the APA that relate to this proceeding include, but are not limited to RCW 34.05.413,
RCW 34.05.422, RCW 34.05.431, RCW 34.05.440, RCW 34.05.449, and RCW
34.05.452. The Commission will also follow its procedural rules in WAC 480-07 in this
proceeding.

4 The Commission finds there is good cause to hear this matter on shortened notice. *See*
WAC 480-07-440(1)(a) and RCW 34.05.434.

5 **THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That it will hold a virtual prehearing
conference in this matter at 2:30 p.m., on October 24, 2022. To attend via Zoom,**

please [click here to join meeting](#).¹ To attend by phone, please call (253) 215-8782 and enter the Meeting ID: 841 0521 7311# and Passcode: 268439#.

6 The purpose of the prehearing conference is to consider requests for intervention, resolve scheduling matters including establishing dates for distributing evidence, to identify the issues in the proceeding, and determine other matters to assist the Commission in resolving the matter, as listed in WAC 480-07-430.

7 Persons seeking to intervene in the proceeding must file written petitions to intervene at least three business days before the date of the prehearing conference. *See* WAC 480-07-355(a). Party representatives must file a notice of appearance with the Commission no later than the business day before the conference. *See* WAC 480-07-345(2). Any party or witness in need of an interpreter or other assistance should fill out the form attached to this Notice and return it to the Commission. The Commission will set the time and place for the evidentiary hearings at the prehearing conference or by later written notice.

8 **THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That any party who fails to attend or participate in the prehearing conference set by this Notice, or any other stage of this proceeding, may be held in default under RCW 34.05.440 and WAC 480-07-450.**

9 The names and mailing addresses of all known parties and their known representatives are as follows:

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- 10 Administrative Law Judge Samantha Doyle and Administrative Law Judge Gregory J. Kopta, from the Commission's Administrative Law Division, will preside during this proceeding.²
- 11 The Attorney General has designated Lisa W. Gafken, Nina Suetake, and Ann Paisner from the Public Counsel Unit of the Washington Attorney General's Office (Public Counsel) to represent the public. You may use the Commission's address, shown below, for contacting Public Counsel, or you may contact Public Counsel directly by writing or calling the address or telephone number listed below.
- 12 The Commission will give parties notice of any other procedural phase of the proceeding in writing or on the record, as appropriate during this proceeding.

DATED at Lacey, Washington, and effective October 13, 2022.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Hearings are accessible to persons with disabilities and persons who do not speak English as a first language. If limited English-speaking or hearing-impaired parties or witnesses are involved in a hearing and need an interpreter, a qualified interpreter will be appointed at no cost to the party or witness.

If you need an interpreter, or have other special needs, please provide the information requested below via email to Paige Doyle, paralegal, at paige.doyle@utc.wa.gov:

(PLEASE SUPPLY ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION)

Docket: _____

Case Name: _____

Hearing Date: _____ Hearing Location: _____

Primary Language: _____

Hearing Impaired: (Yes) _____ (No) _____

Do you need a certified sign language interpreter:

Visual _____ Tactile _____

Other type of assistance needed: _____