BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Puget Sound Energy 2017 General Rate Case

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Re: Direct Testimony of Catherine A. Koch, Exhibit No. CAK-3C.

What performance standards and with what penalties does Puget Sound Energy proposed to accompany its Electric Reliability Plan concerning the impact of these investments on SAIDI, CMI, and SAIFI? In your response, state whether the identified reliability related improvements included in Exhibit No. CAK-3C are intended to be enforceable by the Commission as a condition of recovery of costs.

Response:

Puget Sound Energy ("PSE") does not propose penalties for the proposed Electric Reliability Plan as a condition of recovery. PSE currently has Service Quality Indices as stipulated by various dockets, including Dockets UE-951270, UE-960195, UE-011570, and UE-072300, that include metrics such as SAIDI and SAIFI, some of which include financial penalties. Projects identified in the Electric Reliability Plan are intended to directly impact performance of these metrics and as such are indirectly measured through these established mechanisms.