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David W. Danner, Executive Director and Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW P. O. Box 47250 Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

RE: WUTC v. Puget Sound Energy, Inc. (2009 General Rate Case)

Dockets UE-090704/UG-090705

Dear Mr. Danner:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket are the original and 21 copies of Commission Staff's Response to Bench Request No. 3. Also enclosed are 3 disks, each with electronic versions of Staff Exhibit Nos. KHB-2 and KHB-3, and all workpapers. Hard copies of the exhibits have been distributed via Federal Express to the parties. Electronic copies of the exhibits and workpapers have been e-mailed to the parties.

Sincerely,

RÓBERT D. CEDARBAUM Assistant Attorney General

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WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION STAFF RESPONSE TO BENCH REQUEST

DATE PREPARED: February 2, 2010 DOCKET: UE-090704/UG-090705 WITNESS: RESPONDER: Kathryn Breda Kathryn Breda

REQUESTER:

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Bench Request No. 3: Please re-file the following exhibits along with the electronic worksheets supporting all calculations contained therein, updated to reflect the adjustments you request the Commission to approve in its Final Order:

PSE—Mr. Story: Exhibit JHS-16 PSE—Mr. Stranik: Exhibit MJS-14

Public Counsel-Mr. Dittmer: Exhibits JRD-2C and JRD-3C

Staff—Ms. Breda: Exhibits KHB-2 and KHB-3

Please ensure that the re-filed exhibits include electronic versions of all spreadsheets with figures that link to the underlying formulas, not simply to calculated values. These resubmitted file(s) must be in Excel format and include all linked files with all formulas and formatting in every spreadsheet intact (formulas not converted to values or otherwise modified from original).

Please identify each adjustment using the descriptions and adjustment numbers included in Exhibits KHB-2 and KHB-3, to the extent possible. For example, Electric Revenues & Expenses—Adjustment 10.02; Gas Revenues & Expenses—Adjustment 9.02. If you advocate adjustments not identified in Ms. Breda's exhibits, assign each a unique alphanumeric identifier (*e.g.*, Public Counsel's proposed adjustments for corporate aircraft should be identified as PC-1 for electric and PC-2 for gas).

RESPONSE:

Attached is the Staff Response to Bench Request No. 3. All revisions to Exhibit Nos. KHB-2 and KHB-3 are in italics. In addition, an explanatory note of each revision is shown on the individual adjustment pages.