

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY

Respondent.

DOCKETS UE-220066, UG-220067, and UG-210918 (*Consolidated*)

**SHAY BAUMAN
ON BEHALF OF THE
WASHINGTON STATE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
PUBLIC COUNSEL UNIT**

EXHIBIT SB-6

Puget Sound Energy Response to Public Counsel Data Request No. 323

July 28, 2022

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**Dockets UE-220066 & UG-220067
Puget Sound Energy
2022 General Rate Case**

PUBLIC COUNSEL DATA REQUEST NO. 323:

REQUESTED BY: Paul Alvarez

Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI)

Re: Advanced Metering Infrastructure. Sanem Sergici Workpaper, New-PSE-WP-SIS-BEHAVIOR, UsagePresentment tab.

Sources and Notes [B]–[D] states that the percent of residential customers participating was provided by Puget Sound Energy for 2021, with an assumed escalation rate of one percent.

- a. Is the customer participation rate based on actual participation rates for 2021? If not, please provide the basis for the customer participation rate.
 - i. If the answer to subpart a. is yes, please explain why the 2021 participation estimate differs for the low, base, and high cases.
- b. Please provide the basis and assumptions used to calculate a one percent escalation rate.

Response:

- a. No, it is not. The customer participation rate assumptions are based on current website logins.
- b. This is a conservative growth assumption made by the Brattle team. See Puget Sound Energy’s Response to Public Counsel Data Request No. 322 for how the team has further adjusted down the participation rates for “active” participation in the usage presentment program.