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BEFORE THE
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition of

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.

for a Declaratory Order on the
Service Area Agreement between
Puget Sound Energy, Inc. and
the City of Tacoma

NO. UE-000966

PETITIONER PUGET SOUND ENERGY,
INC.'S MOTION FOR VOLUNTARY
DISMISSAL

1. Pursuant to WAC § 480-09-420(8) and CR 41(a), Petitioner Puget Sound Energy, Inc. ("PSE") respectfully moves the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission ("Commission") for an Order allowing PSE to voluntarily dismiss its petition in this docket, without prejudice.

2. On June 22, 2000, PSE filed its Petition for Declaratory Order on the Service Area Agreement between PSE and the City of Tacoma ("Petition"), which was assigned the above-referenced docket number.

3. On August 15, 2000, PSE, the City of Tacoma and all other participants and/or potential participants in this docket that had appeared to that date filed a Stipulation and Proposed Order to Stay Proceedings, without waiver of any claims by various parties as to matters concerning the Commission's jurisdiction or whether various potential participants should become parties to the proceeding.

1 4. On August 22, 2000, the Commission entered its Order Approving Stay of
2 Proceedings. That stay expires on December 20, 2000.
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4 5. Events and circumstances giving rise to the Stipulation and Proposed Order to
5 Stay Proceedings have continued to develop in a manner permitting the entities involved or
6 potentially involved in this proceeding to resolve disputes related to this proceeding in an
7 amicable manner, without the need for any involvement by the Commission. In particular,
8 the City of Lakewood and PSE have been working cooperatively on matters concerning PSE's
9 service to Lakewood, and there is no longer any imminent danger of any actions by
10 Lakewood that would call into question issues regarding PSE's Service Area Agreement with
11 the City of Tacoma that PSE sought to place before the Commission in its Petition. It would
12 be counterproductive and a waste of the resources of the potential participants and the
13 Commission to undertake further proceedings in this docket.
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24 6. PSE therefore moves the Commission to permit PSE to voluntarily dismiss its
25 petition, without prejudice. PSE seeks voluntary dismissal without prejudice in the event the
26 circumstances underlying its Petition reoccur, or in the event similar circumstances arise in
27 the future.
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7. Attorneys for PSE have consulted with the attorney for the City of Tacoma, who has indicated that the City of Tacoma has no objection to this motion or to dismissal of the petition, without prejudice. Due to the number of potential parties to this proceeding, PSE has not consulted with the remaining persons on the Commission's service list, and instead provides notice to them through service of this motion.

DATED: December 19, 2000.

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