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Bill (and other CRAG members),

Due to the short timelines associated with this evaluation (particularly based on the expedited 2 year draft schedule) Public Counsel has not had time to adequately review and comment on the Incentive Evaluation draft within the requested time frame. Based on our office's limited staff resources and considerable workload, we simply are unable to turn around a product in that short of a timeframe. Public Counsel is currently heavily involved in the proceedings related to several major litigated cases, including the Avista General Rate Case and Decoupling Docket, which just wrapped up hearings this evening, as well as work related to PSE's own pending General Rate Case and Verizon's Wireline Divestiture—both of which have intervenor testimony due in the next month.

As I have mentioned previously, we believe the two year report posed considerable and unnecessary complications not only for the evaluators, but for everyone involved in this process.

I would like to specifically point out that the development of this timeline was further troubling considering that this it was developed even after PSE filed its 2009 general rate case (which has a requested rate impact of a combined amount of over \$180M in increases for PSE ratepayers) and despite the fact members of the CRAG are also involved in the regularly scheduled development and review of PSE's 2 year program targets and budgets which are also occurring in this same window of time.

Bearing all this in mind, and in line with our belief that the Commission intended the report to cover all three years of the pilot and the two year report is unnecessary, we reserve our right to comment on the later drafts (including the final version) of the evaluation which will cover the full scope of information as intended in the Commission's Order in Docket UE-060266.

Sincerely,

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Dear CRAG Members,

Attached please find PSE's comments on the draft Blue Ridge report and our workpapers for revising the calculation of realized return on rate base and return on equity presented in tables 23 and 24 of the report. Our suggested edits to the report show deleted text as strike-through and new text in red. Please let me know if you have any questions or problems opening the attachments.

Also, thank you to everyone else who submitted comments.

<<BRCS Phase 1 Rpt rev 3 PSE Comments 10-07-09.doc>> <<ROR AND ROE Calcs 2004-2008 PSE 10-07-09.xls>>  
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Dear CRAG,

This is a follow-up to the teleconference on September 23 presenting the draft results of PSE's electric conservation incentive mechanism evaluation.

First of all, David Nightingale and I would like to thank everyone who joined the call for your time and interest. Your input is very valuable.

As requested at that meeting, the work papers and the responses to all Blue Ridge Consulting's data requests in a directory on their server. To access the directory, please go to our secure server at the following web address: <https://brcsserver.blueridgecs.com:8443> to log in. The username is "PSE ECIM" (case sensitive and do not include quote marks). Password screen will come up. Enter "PSEECIM" (no space; no quote marks). This should give you access. Click on the PSE - Drop Box icon to get to the files. You may access this and review them there or download them if you like. We hope that these workpapers facilitate your review of Blue Ridge's work.

Also attached is a revised draft report as well as a document listing the changes that were made to revision 2 to come up with revision 3.

David and I would appreciate your review and comment on Blue Ridge's draft report **no later than October 7**. Comments should be constructive in nature, such as making language clarifications or correcting errors in the report. We ask that you use the attached comment template to make your comments as useful to Blue Ridge as possible. Please put each comment on a separate comment page using the attached form. As an independent, objective evaluator, Blue Ridge will incorporate comments as they deem appropriate.

You are encouraged to share your comments with the entire CRAG plus Blue Ridge by sending a "Reply to All" to this e-mail. All comments will be compiled into a single document separately from Blue Ridge's final report.

If you have any problems opening the attachments or link, please send a reply to me. Thank you very much

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Dear CRAG members,

PSE and Blue Ridge Consulting, Inc. have scheduled a conference call to review the draft report of Blue Ridge's evaluation of PSE's electric incentive mechanism.

The draft report will be emailed to you by end of day Friday, September 18.

*Please RSVP if you plan on attending.*

Here is the conference call information:

Date: Sept 23, 12:00pm - 2:00pm PST  
Conf room: Sunbreaks (EST 09) (for PSE staff attending the call)  
Toll Free: 888-228-0484 or 425-456-2500  
Password: 1234  
Meeting id: 5656

Best regards,  
Andy