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Dennis J. Moss, Administrative Law Judge
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*
Dockets UE-072300 and UG-072301

Dear Judge Moss:

According to the Procedural Schedule, Appendix B of Order 27 in Dockets UE-072300 and UG-072301, the parties are expected to make an appropriate filing by March 3, 2016. On behalf of all parties and in consultation with both the Company and Public Counsel, Staff submits this status report.

Since the prehearing conference in this docket on January 22, 2016, the Company, Commission Staff, and Public Counsel have had multiple settlement conferences at the Company's headquarters in Bellevue, WA, and all parties remain optimistic about the progress made during these settlement conferences and about the potential of further negotiations.

Negotiations have been positive to this point, and the parties submit this joint status report to convey their intent to continue exploring settlement options. The next date in the Procedural Schedule is May 11, 2016, and the parties desire to use this time to continue to work toward a resolution that is amenable to all parties.

Sincerely,

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cc: Parties