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PCA 15 COMPLIANCE
WITNESS: KATHERINE J. BARNARD

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of Petition of

PUGET SOUND ENERGY

For Approval of its 2017 Power Cost Adjustment Mechanism Report Docket UE-17

FIRST EXHIBIT (PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS) TO THE PREFILED DIRECT TESTIMONY OF

KATHERINE J. BARNARD

ON BEHALF OF PUGET SOUND ENERGY

A. I graduated from the University of Washington with Bachelor of Arts degrees in both Business Administration and Arts & Sciences. The Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration was in Finance with additional course work in accounting.

From 1985 to 1987, I was employed by Ernst & Whinney's Telecommunications Consulting Group, in which role I was responsible for the preparation of cost allocation studies for several small telephone companies.

From 1988 to 1990, I was the Manager – Separations at Nevada Bell where my responsibilities were the development of rates for Nevada Bell's Federal Communications Commission tariff filings along with Federal Communications Commission and National Exchange Carriers Association compliance reporting. From 1990 to 1992, I was employed by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission as Revenue Requirement Specialist. My responsibilities included reviewing tariff filings, affiliated interest applications, and performing audits of several telephone companies' compliance reports.

From 1992 to 2011, I was employed by Cascade Natural Gas Corporation.

Between 1992 and 1996, I served as a Senior Accountant, in which role I was responsible for developing the jurisdictional balances used in regulatory reporting.

From 1996 to 2011, I worked in the Regulatory Affairs department of Cascade Natural Gas Company and served as Manager of Regulatory Affairs prior to my departure in June 2011.