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RE: WUTC v. Puget Sound Energy, Inc. (2009 General Rate Case)

Dockets UE-090704/UG-090705

Dear Mr. Danner:

Enclosed for filing are the original and 21 copies of the revised testimony of Joanna Huang. Revisions to page 4 of Ms. Huang's testimony are indicated in redline.

Distribution has been made to all other parties of record.

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Dockets UE-090704/UG-090705 CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the revised testimony of Joanna Huang upon the persons and entities listed on the Service List below via e-mail and via US Mail, postage prepaid, addressed as shown on said Service List.

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Exhibit No. JH-1T Dockets UE-090704/UG-090705 Witness: Joanna Huang

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.,

Respondent.

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TESTIMONY

OF

JOANNA HUANG

STAFF OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Revenue Requirement Adjustments: Wage Increases, Investment Plan, and Employee Insurance

> November 17, 2009 Revised February 4, 2010

1	Q.	Please explain why Staff contests the Company's proposed adjustments for union
2		and non-union employee wage increases?
3	A.	The Company's proposed wage increase adjustment for union and non-union employees
4		does not meet the Commission's criteria for a pro forma adjustment.
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6	Q.	What are the Commission's criteria for a pro forma adjustment?
7	A.	WAC 480-07-510 specifies that pro forma adjustments": give effect for the test period to
8		all known and measurable changes that are not offset by other factors." Since the current
9		contract for IBEW will run through March 31, 2010 and the current UA contract will run
10		through September 30, 2010, any wage increase adjustment beyond March 31, 2010 for
11		IBEW members and beyond September 30, 2010 for UA members is not known and
12		measurable. Likewise, any wage increase for non-union employees beyond March 31
13		February 28, 2010 is also not known and measurable. The estimated wage increases to
14		March 31, 2011 that are added to test year results by the Company are merely a boost to
15		the revenue requirement for the Company.
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17	Q.	What is the basis for Staff's wage increase adjustments for union and non-union
18		employees?
19	A.	As stated above, potential wage increases beyond the current employee contract
20		expiration dates are not known and measurable. Therefore, Staff adjusts wage increases
21		to March 31, 2010 for non-union employees. Staff also adjusts wages increases to
22		March 31, 2010 for IBEW members and to September 30, 2010 for UA members
23		according to the Company's current contract with those unions. This treatment ensures