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BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Docket Nos. UG-110723 Puget Sound Energy, Inc.'s Tariff filing for Pipeline Integrity Program

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From an operational perspective, what, if any, specific performance criteria and benchmarks would the Company use to determine if the proposed PIP is successful relative to its current practices with regard to pipeline replacement?

Response:

The effectiveness of overall pipe replacement will be evaluated based on trending leak performance. This evaluation will be based on the actual pipe replaced, as Puget Sound Energy, Inc. will not know what pipe would have been replaced absent the Pipeline Integrity Program tariff.