

[Service Date July 23, 2010]

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**NOTICE OF STATUS CONFERENCE  
(Scheduled for Friday, July 30, 2010, at 10:00 a.m.)**

RE: *Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, Complainant, v. Puget Sound Energy, Respondent*, Docket UE-100177.

TO ALL PARTIES:

On June 4, 2010, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) entered an order, Order 04, which found that Puget Sound Energy's (PSE) Biennial Conservation Target Report (Report) was insufficient, and directed PSE to re-file its Report using figures derived from its Integrated Resource Plan. PSE filed a revised Report on June 18, 2010 (re-filed Report). The Commission invited the parties to comment on whether the re-filed Report complies with the Order 04.

The NW Energy Coalition (NVEC), the Commission's regulatory staff (Staff), and the Public Counsel Section of the Washington Office of the Attorney General (Public Counsel) filed comments in response to the Commission's request. The NVEC, Staff, and Public Counsel each agree that PSE's re-filed Report is consistent with the Commission's order and recommend that the Commission approve PSE's re-filed Report with conditions. The commenters did not specify what conditions the Commission should impose, and instead suggest that the Commission allow the parties to collaborate in the development of additional conditions that Staff might recommend at a Commission Open Meeting. Staff points out that the reports filed by Avista Corporation (Avista)<sup>1</sup> and Pacific Power & Light Company (PacifiCorp)<sup>2</sup> were approved in this manner.

In an effort to efficiently and quickly resolve any issues relating to additional conditions, the Commission will hold a status conference in this docket. Prior to the status conference, the

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<sup>1</sup> Docket UE-100176.

<sup>2</sup> Docket UE-100170.

Commission envisions that the parties will work collaboratively in developing any conditions they will recommend to the Commission. The parties should look to the work that has already been completed in the development of conditions in the Avista and PacifiCorp cases and be prepared to discuss them at the conference. Further, if the parties cannot reach agreement on potential conditions prior to the status conference, they should come prepared to suggest a possible process for resolving the contested issues, including a hearing, if necessary.

**THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That a status conference in this matter will be held on Friday, July 30, 2010, beginning at 10:00 a.m. in Room 206, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Richard Hemstad Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S. W., Olympia, Washington.** If you are unable to attend the conference in person, you may attend via the Commission's teleconference bridge line, **360-664-3846**. Please appear on the teleconference bridge five minutes before the conference is scheduled to begin.

Sincerely,

MARGUERITE E. FRIEDLANDER  
Administrative Law Judge