Puget Sound Energy, Inc. P.O. Box 97034 Bellevue, WA 98009-9734 December 17, 2007

## VIA HAND DELIVERY

Carole Washburn, Executive Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 Evergreen Park Drive, SW Olympia, WA 98504

Re: Joint Application of Puget Holding, LLC and Puget Sound Energy, Inc. for Order Authorizing Proposed Transaction

Dear Ms. Washburn:

On October 26, 2007, Puget Sound Energy, Inc. ("PSE") announced that it had entered into a merger agreement with a consortium of long-term infrastructure investors led by the Macquarie Group of Companies. Enclosed for filing are the original and twelve (12) copies of the Joint Application of Puget Holdings LLC and PSE for an Order Authorizing Proposed Transaction (the "Joint Application"). In support of the Joint Application, the applicants also enclose the original and twelve (12) copies of prefiled direct testimony and exhibits of:

- Mr. Stephen P. Reynolds, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of PSE;
- Mr. Christopher J. Leslie, Executive Director of the Macquarie Group of Companies, and Chief Executive Officer of Macquarie Infrastructure Partners; and
- Mr. Eric M. Markell, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of PSE.

As set forth in the Joint Application and supporting testimony, the joint applicants request that the Commission complete its review and issue an order approving the Proposed Transaction by July 1, 2008.

Persons authorized on behalf of Puget Holdings LLC to receive notices and communications with respect to this Joint Application are:

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Also, Applicants respectfully request that all data requests regarding this filing be addressed to the following:

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Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

Tom DeBoer

cc: Service List from Puget Sound Energy, Inc. 2006 General Rate Case

(Docket Nos. UE-060266 and UG-060267)