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Mr. Mark L. Johnson, Executive Director and Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 621 Woodland Square Loop SE Lacey, WA 98503

Re: UG-190464 (Advice No. 2019-23) - <u>Do Not Redocket</u> Puget Sound Energy – Natural Gas Tariff Revision

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Puget Sound Energy ("PSE") hereby submits proposed final revisions to rates under its natural gas Supplemental Schedule 149, Cost Recovery Mechanism for Pipeline Replacement ("CRM"). This filing, pursuant to RCW 80.28.060 and Chapter 480-80 WAC, proposes changes to the following natural gas tariff sheet:

WN U-2 (Natural Gas Tariff)

6th Revision of Sheet No. 1149 – Cost Recovery Mechanism for Pipeline Replacement (CRM)

Consistent with the Commission's Policy Statement ("Policy Statement"), this filing provides the final update to CRM costs by updating the projected costs within this filing to actual costs through September 30, 2019, and updating the forecast for October 1 through October 31, 2019. The CRM was originally filed on May 31, 2019, under PSE's Advice Number 2019-23 and was assigned Docket No. UG-190464. In accordance with the Policy Statement in Docket No. UG-120715:

- 1. The initial May filing contained, 1) actual costs through April 2019, 2) forecast amounts through October 2019, and 3) the true up to actuals for the forecasted October 2018 costs, from last year's CRM filing under Docket UG-180514.
- 2. A September 16, 2019 filing updated the projected costs from the initial filing to actual amounts for the May 2019 through July 2019 period and updated the forecast for the August through October 2019 period.

The CRM filing represents an increase of \$6,977,528 in annual revenue or an average increase of 0.79% for all of PSE's approximately 840,000 natural gas customers. The impact of this filing

on the typical residential customer using 64 therms per month will be an increase of \$0.49 on the current monthly bill of \$59.60. PSE's customers are located in PSE's certificated areas in King, Kittitas, Snohomish, Pierce, Thurston and Lewis counties. On October 1, 2019, PSE published the notice to customers required by WAC 480-90-194 which informed customers of the impacts of both the CRM and PGA filings, an overall increase of 14.23% increase for customers. This final CRM update filing reflects a slight overall decrease in the impacts compared to the prior filing. After incorporating this CRM update, the combined impact of the CRM and PGA filings would be an overall average increase of 14.22%. The total monthly increase related to the CRM and PGA filings for the typical residential customer using 64 therms is \$8.40, which increases the typical monthly bill from \$59.60 to \$68.00.

Please contact Susan Free at (425) 456-2105 for additional information about this filing. If you have any other questions please contact me at (425) 456-2142.

Sincerely,

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Attachments: Natural Gas Tariff Sheet (listed above)

Final Work Paper Final Attachment A