BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Docket Nos. UE-111048 and UG-111049 Puget Sound Energy, Inc.'s 2011 General Rate Case

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Referring to the rebuttal testimony of Charles E. Olson, Exhibit No. CEO-10T, page 10, lines 16-18, please provide copies of any study or analysis prepared by the witness in support of the testimony that the ratemaking mechanism is not working in Washington.

Response:

Dr. Olson prepared no separate study regarding the ratemaking mechanism in Washington State. See the prefiled direct and rebuttal testimonies and exhibits of Donald E. Gaines and John H. Story in this proceeding, as well as the evidence in prior Puget Sound Energy, Inc. and Avista rate cases, for support for the position that the ratemaking mechanism is not working in Washington State.