

**EXH. AEB-34
DOCKETS UE-240004/UG-240005 et al.
2024 PSE GENERAL RATE CASE
WITNESS: ANN E. BULKLEY**

**BEFORE THE
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

**WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,**

Complainant,

v.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY,

Respondent.

**Docket UE-240004
Docket UG-240005
(consolidated)**

In the Matter of the Petition of

PUGET SOUND ENERGY

**For an Accounting Order Authorizing
deferred accounting treatment of
purchased power agreement expenses
pursuant to RCW 80.28.410**

**Docket UE 230810
(consolidated)**

**FIFTEENTH EXHIBIT (NONCONFIDENTIAL) TO THE
PREFILED REBUTTAL TESTIMONY OF**

ANN E. BULKLEY

ON BEHALF OF PUGET SOUND ENERGY

SEPTEMBER 18, 2024

Comparison of Dr. Woolridge's CAPM Analysis

As Filed v. Adjusted

| | Notes | As Filed | Adjusted Market Return | |
|---------------------------------------|-------|--------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| | | | Historical | Forward-Looking |
| Electric Proxy Group (Panel A) | | | | |
| Risk-Free Rate | [1] | 4.25% | 4.25% | 4.25% |
| Beta | [2] | 0.81 | 0.81 | 0.81 |
| Market Return | [3] | N/A | 12.04% | 12.67% |
| Market Risk Premium | [4] | 5.00% | 7.79% | 8.42% |
| Cost of Equity | [5] | 8.30% | 10.56% | 11.07% |
| Increase from As-Filed: | | | 2.26% | 2.77% |
| Bulkley Proxy Group (Panel B) | | | | |
| Risk-Free Rate | [1] | 4.25% | 4.25% | 4.25% |
| Beta | [2] | 0.80 | 0.80 | 0.80 |
| Market Return | [3] | N/A | 12.04% | 12.67% |
| Market Risk Premium | [4] | 5.00% | 7.79% | 8.42% |
| Cost of Equity | [5] | 8.25% | 10.48% | 10.99% |
| Increase from As-Filed: | | | 2.23% | 2.74% |
| Gas Proxy Group (Panel C) | | | | |
| Risk-Free Rate | [1] | 4.25% | 4.25% | 4.25% |
| Beta | [2] | 0.81 | 0.81 | 0.81 |
| Market Return | [3] | N/A | 12.04% | 12.67% |
| Market Risk Premium | [4] | 5.00% | 7.79% | 8.42% |
| Cost of Equity | [5] | 8.29% | 10.54% | 11.05% |
| Increase from As-Filed: | | | 2.25% | 2.76% |

Notes:

[1] Exhibit JRW-8 pg. 1.

[2] Exhibit JRW-8 pg. 1.

[3] *Kroll*, Cost of Capital Navigator (As-Adjusted Using Historical Market Return); Exhibit AEB-24 (As-Adjusted Using Forward-looking Market Return)

[4] *As Filed*: Exhibit JRW-8 pg. 1.; *As Updated*: equals [3] minus [1]

[5] Equals [1] + ([2] x [4])