BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE

**UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

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| WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,  Complainant,  v.  PUGET SOUND ENERGY,  Respondent.  . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | ) ) ) ) ) ) ) ) ) ) )  ) | DOCKET UE-100177  ORDER 01  SETTING 10-YEAR ACHIEVABLE CONSERVATION POTENTIAL AND BIENNIAL CONSERVATION TARGET REPORT FOR HEARING |

**BACKGROUND**

1. On January 29, 2010, Puget Sound Energy, (PSE or Company) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) a 10-year achievable conservation potential and biennial conservation target report in compliance with RCW 19.285 and WAC 480-109.
2. In this report, PSE projects its 10-year achievable conservation potential and biennial conservation target. Staff and other interested parties filed comments in this matter on March 5, 2010. Because PSE has not provided enough information to determine whether the 10-year achievable conservation potential and biennial conservation target should be approved, Commission Staff recommends setting the matter for hearing.

**FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS**

1. (1) The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission is an agency of the State of Washington vested by statute with the authority to regulate rates, regulations, practices, accounts, securities, transfers of property and affiliated interests of public service companies, including electric companies. RCW*80.01.040, RCW 80.04, RCW 80.08, RCW 80.12, RCW 80.16, RCW 19.285 and RCW 80.28.*
2. (2) PSE is an electric company and a public service company subject to Commission jurisdiction.
3. (3) This matter came before the Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on March 11, 2010.
4. (4) PSE has not yet provided enough information to determine whether the 10-year achievable conservation potential and biennial conservation target should be approved.
5. (5) In order to carry out the duties imposed upon the Commission by law, as authorized in RCW 80.04.130 and WAC 480-109-010(4)(b), and following review of Staff’s comments, the Commission believes additional review is needed and the matter should be set for hearing.

1. (6) PSE may be required to pay the expenses reasonably attributable and allocable to such an investigation, consistent with RCW 80.20.

**O R D E R**

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS:**

1. (1) The Commission will hold hearings at such times and places as may be required to review Puget Sound Energy’s 10-year achievable conservation potential and biennial conservation target as described above.
2. (2) Puget Sound Energy shall pay the expenses reasonably attributable and allocable to the Commission’s investigation, consistent with RCW 80.20.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective March 11, 2010.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

JEFFREY D. GOLTZ, Chairman

PATRICK J. OSHIE, Commissioner

PHILIP B. JONES, Commissioner