

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Requested Waiver)	
of Statutory Notice in Connection with)	
the Tariff Revisions Filed by)	DOCKET UG-011396
)	
)	ORDER GRANTING LESS
PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.)	THAN STATUTORY NOTICE
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BACKGROUND

- 1 On October 11, 2001, Puget Sound Energy, Inc. (PSE or Company) filed with the Commission revisions to its currently effective Tariff WN U-2, designated as Schedule 1, Municipal Tax Adjustment. The purpose of the this filing is to correct a clerical error on the schedule, in which the City of Seattle was inadvertently omitted. The clerical error was a result of reformatting changes made to make the schedule consistent with the comparable schedule in the electric tariff. The reformatted Schedule 1 became effective October 8, 2001.
- 2 WAC 480-80-070 requires thirty days' notice prior to the effective date of the tariff. The tariff sheet bears an inserted effective date of November 11, 2001. This date recognizes statutory notice as required. The Company requests, however, that statutory notice be waived as authorized in WAC 480-80-240, and that the revisions become effective October 12, 2001. The Company is requesting less than statutory notice because the error results in the inability of the Company to pass through to customers the municipal tax for the City of Seattle.
- 3 Since the proposed tariff revisions appear to be fair, just, and reasonable, and waiver of statutory notice is not inconsistent with the public interest, it is appropriate that the Commission grant the waiver PSE requests with an effective date of October 12, 2001.

FINDINGS

- 4 (1) After careful examination of the proposed tariff revisions filed by PSE on October 11, 2001, and giving consideration to all relevant matters and for good cause shown, the Commission finds that the proposed tariff revisions should become effective October 12, 2001.
- 5 (2) This matter was brought before the Commission at a special open meeting on October 12, 2001. The Commissioners, having been fully advised in the

matter, and having determined this order to be consistent with the public interest, directed the Secretary to enter this order.

ORDER

6 THE COMMISSION GRANTS the requested waiver of statutory notice in connection with the tariff revisions filed by Puget Sound Energy, Inc. on October 11, 2001, and the tariff revisions shall become effective on October 12, 2001.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 12th day of October, 2001.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAROLE J. WASHBURN, Secretary