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March 8, 2010

Mr. David Danner, Executive Director and Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Re: Advice No. 2010-07 <u>Natural Gas Tariff Filing – Filed Electronically</u> Request for an order allowing less than statutory notice

Dear Mr. Danner:

Pursuant to RCW 80.28.060 and WAC 480-80-101 and WAC 480-80-105(1)(c), please find enclosed for filing the following proposed revision to the WN U-2 Tariff for natural gas service of Puget Sound Energy (the "Company"):

17th Revision of Sheet No. 101-B - Natural Gas Schedule No. 1, Tax Adjustment (Continued)

The purpose of this filing is to incorporate the effect of changes to the municipal tax within the City of Puyallup (the "City"). A copy of the approved City ordinance, Ordinance No. 2950 is enclosed.

The change imposed by the enclosed ordinance is a decrease to 2.2 percent from the current 5 percent city tax rate. The Company estimates the resulting annualized decrease in gross revenues from gas operations and corresponding decrease in taxes due to be \$424,904.

The Company received notice of this reduction in tax rate though a letter dated March 5, 2010 from the City of Puyallup which included a copy of the enclosed ordinance. The Company received that letter on March 8, 2010 which resulted in this tariff filing. As this filing results in a decrease in rates and also due to the late date received, the Company respectfully requests that the Commission allow this tariff change to become effective on April 1, 2010, with less than statutory notice ("LSN"). The LSN order will allow the Company to decrease rates to customers as provided by the enclosed ordinance. The information required by WAC 480-80-122 is contained throughout this letter and on the attached LSN form provided by the Commission. Tom DeBoer is authorized to issue tariff changes on behalf of the Company.

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The tariff sheet described herein reflects an issue date of March 8, 2010, and an effective date of April 8, 2010. The effective date will be adjusted upon receipt of the Commission's order allowing the changes to become effective with less than statutory notice. Posting of proposed tariff changes, as required by law and the Commission's rules and regulations, is being completed immediately prior to or coincident with the date of this transmittal letter through web, telephone and mail access in accordance with WAC 480-90-193. Pursuant to WAC 480-90-195 notice to customers will be provided in the first billing after the tariff revision becomes effective; the gas customers within the City will receive notification in the form of a bill message.

Please contact Julie Waltari at julie.waltari@pse.com or (425) 456-2945 for additional information about this filing. If you have any other questions please contact me at (425) 462-3495.

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Enclosures

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Seventeenth Revision of Sheet No. 101-B Canceling Sixteenth Revision of Sheet No. 101-B

PUGET SOUND ENERGY NATURAL GAS SCHEDULE NO. 1 Tax Adjustment (Continued)						
<u>Where Applied</u> (A) Pacific Puyallup Rainier Redmond	City Ordinance <u>No.</u> (B) 924 2950 525 2281	Ordin <u>Ra</u> (1 6 2.2 6 6		Rate's Effective Date (D) 1/1/84 4/1/10 11/8/07 6/2/06	<u>Limitations</u> (E)	(R)
Renton	4303	6	%	2/16/91		
Roy	826	5	%	12/8/08	Maximum of \$500 added to any one Customer's Monthly Bill	
Ruston	1299	6	%	2/1/10	-	
Seattle	115386	6	%	1/1/91		
Shoreline	210	6	%	12/27/99		
Snohomish	1630	6	%	4/4/88	First \$1,000 of Monthly Bill	
		3	%	4/4/88	All over \$1,000 of Monthly Bill	
<u>Snoqualmie</u>	561	6	%	1/30/86		
Steilacoom	975	6	%	4/1/87		
Sultan	754-00	6	%	6/14/01		
Sumner	1411	5.2	25%	6/01/08	Maximum of \$1,500 added to any one customer's bill	
Tacoma	24746	6	%	1/1/91		
Toledo	379	5	%	2/1/80	First \$500 of Monthly Bill	
Tukwila	1998	6	%	1/1/07		
Tumwater	1291	6	%	8/1/91		
University Place	250	6	%	12/1/99		
Winlock	368	5	%	12/30/65		
Woodinville	200	2	%	6/1/98		
Woodway	98-340	6	%	9/1/98		
Yarrow Point	326	5	%	2/7/88		
Yelm	909	6	%	10/20/09		

Section 4: Excise Tax Credit

- (i) For eligible Customers being served within Indian Country, as defined in WAC 458-20-192(2), the rates and charges named in this tariff shall be proportionately decreased by an adjustment equivalent to the amount of Washington State public utility excise tax imposed by the State and included in rates for natural gas service.
- (ii) Eligible Customers are Customers meeting the criteria for exemption from the Washington State public utility excise tax as described in WAC 458-20-192 will be eligible to receive an excise tax credit in the amount of 3.8520% of current charges. To receive the excise tax credit eligible Customers must be identified by their Tribe and provide the Company with the information that the Company is required to maintain pursuant to WAC 458-20-192 Subsection 4.

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