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August 31, 2011

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

Re: Advice No. 2011-19 – Natural Gas Tariff Filing – Filed Electronically

Dear Mr. Danner:

Pursuant to RCW 80.28.060 and Chapter 480-80 WAC , 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” or “PSE”):

7th Revision of Sheet No. 1129 - Low Income Program
4th Revision of Sheet No. 1129-A - Low Income Program (Continued)
10th Revision of Sheet No. 1129-B - Low Income Program (Continued)

The purpose of this filing is two-fold: First, the filing adjusts and trues-up the low income rates as provided in Exhibit G to the Settlement Stipulation Agreement approved by the Commission in Docket Nos. UE-011570 and UG-011571 (the “Settlement”) and as provided in the Multiparty Settlement Stipulation in Docket No. U-072375 and the Partial Settlement in Docket Nos. UE-072300 and UG-072301. This filing revises the Low Income Program charges in order to reflect actual program funding costs due to changes in billing determinants and the collections over the past year.

Second, this filing reflects a 2 percent increase in the annual natural gas cap, from \$3.789 to \$3.864 million. This requested increase is consistent with the Settlement Agreement approved in Docket No. UG-101644 and referenced below:

The Parties agree to support an increase in the annual level of low-income natural gas bill assistance funding when PSE files its low income tariff (Schedule 129) for the next program year – but not later than October 1, 2011. The Parties agree to support an increase in an amount that corresponds to the percentage total revenue increase the Commission approves in this proceeding for the residential class of natural gas customers.

Prior year collections and rate spread will be detailed in work papers provided directly to the Commission’s staff.

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All natural gas customers who are billed for therms, except those taking service under existing special contracts, are affected by this filing. The amount of change in the total natural gas revenue to be collected through Schedule 129 from that collected over the last year is a decrease of \$338,404 or 0.03% of the Company's average revenues. This filing does not result in any net change in revenue to the Company.

The tariff sheets described herein reflect issue dates of August 31, 2011, and effective dates of October 1, 2011. Posting of the proposed tariff change for public inspection and review, 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(1).

This filing represents a bill decrease to all customers. The Company will provide notice to customers in accordance with WAC 480-90-193.

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

Very truly yours,



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Enclosures

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