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Ms. Amanda Maxwell, Executive Director and Secretary  
 Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
 621 Woodland Square Loop SE  
 Lacey, WA 98503

**Re: Advice No. 2023-08  
 PSE’s Natural Gas Tariff Filing – Filed Electronically**

Dear Ms. Maxwell:

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 revisions to the WN U-2, tariff for natural gas service of Puget Sound Energy (“PSE”):

1 <sup>st</sup> Revision	Sheet No. 16-D	Rule No. 6	Extension of Distribution Facilities
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The purpose of this filing is to revise PSE’s natural gas Rule No. 6 Extension of Distribution Facilities to inform customers regarding a special condition about the treatment of new natural gas locations connected to PSE’s system as set forth in the subsection RCW 70A.65.130(2)(c) of Chapter 70A.65 RCW Greenhouse Gas Emissions-Cap and Invest Program (“Program”).

The Program, administrated by the Washington State Department of Ecology, started in January 2023 with the first emissions allowance auction that is scheduled to take place in the second half of February 2023. The Program stipulates that a utility must return to customers the available proceeds from the trading auction of state greenhouse gas emission allowances sold at auction through the Program by providing credits on utility bills (“Bill Credits”) or be used to minimize cost impacts on low-income, residential, and small business customers. The proposed tariff change is to add the condition specified in the subsection RCW 70A.65.130(2)(c) that excludes the distribution of Bill Credits to identified customers of the natural gas utility at a location connected to its system after July 25, 2021, except for low-income customers. That is, any future Bill Credits provided for under the Program, and distributed through a future tariff schedule are reserved exclusively for customers at locations which were connected to a natural gas utility’s system on or before July 25, 2021, except for low-income customers. The purpose of the tariff

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change is to provide transparency to customers requesting natural gas line extensions about that location's eligibility to receive those future Bill Credits. Any Bill Credits to be distributed to eligible Customers will be proposed in a future tariff filing for approval by the Commission.

The tariff sheet described herein reflects an issue date of February 23, 2023, and an effective date of March 25, 2023. 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 in accordance with WAC 480-90-193(1). Notice to the public is published under the provisions of WAC 480-90-195(3), which allows a utility that proposes tariff changes terms or conditions without restricting access to the service to post the proposed changes in the manner it posts tariffs under WAC 480-90-193.

Please contact Mei Cass at (425) 462-3800 for additional information about this filing. If you have any other questions please contact me at (425) 456-2142.

Sincerely,

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