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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. 2023-16 Puget Sound Energy's Natural Gas Tariff Filing

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 revision to the WN U-2 Tariff for natural gas service of Puget Sound Energy ("PSE"):

## 153<sup>rd</sup> Revision of Sheet No. 101-A Schedule 1, Tax Adjustment (Continued)

The purpose of this filing is to update the current utility tax rate within the City of Kenmore (the "City"). A copy of the approved City ordinance, Ordinance 23-0570, which increased the tax for natural gas utilities to six percent, is enclosed.

A work paper detailing the recovery of additional taxes, fees and expenses associated with the collection of the municipal utility tax, is also enclosed. With these adjustments, this filing proposes to update the current rate of 4.360 percent to 6.686 percent. The typical residential gas customer using an average of 64 therms per month would see an average monthly increase of \$2.07. Bill assistance programs are available to qualified customers who need help with their energy bills. Payment plans are also available.

PSE estimates the resulting annualized increase in gross revenues from natural gas operations and the corresponding increase in taxes due, to be \$302,185.

City	Current Effective Rate	Proposed Effective Rate	Change	1/2022 - 12/2022 Natural Gas Revenue Before City Tax	Estimated Annual Change
Kenmore	4.360%	6.686%	2.326%	\$12,991,625	\$302,185

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The tariff sheet described herein reflects an issue date of April 17, 2023, and an effective date of June 3, 2023. Posting of proposed tariff changes, as required by law and the Commission's rules and regulations, is being completed through web, telephone and mail access in accordance with WAC 480-90-193. Pursuant to WAC 480-90-194 (3), notice to individual customers will be provided either electronically or by mail, at least 15 days before the effective date. There are approximately 6,200 PSE natural gas service customers within the City of Kenmore.

Please contact Julie Waltari at (425) 456-2945 or julie.waltari@pse.com for additional information about this filing. If you have any other questions please contact me at (425) 456-2142.

Sincerely,

/s/Jon Pílíarís

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Attachments: Natural Gas Tariff Sheet (listed above) Ordinance No. 23-0570 Workpaper