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*Via E-mail and UPS Overnight Delivery*

Ms. Carole J. Washburn, Executive Secretary  
Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission  
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW  
P.O. Box 47250  
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Re: Docket No. UT-073035 Petition and Consideration for Approval of Settlement  
*Request for Extension of Time to Respond to Bench Request Nos. 3 and 4*

Dear Ms. Washburn:

Please find enclosed an original and nine (9) copies of a letter requesting an extension of time to file a response to Bench Requests Nos. 3 and 4. Due to lack of staff availability during vacations and the holidays we will not be able to formulate the responses in time to meet the current deadline. We would like to request an extension from December 28, 2007 to January 9, 2008.

An electronic copy of this letter will be provided by e-mail, and paper copies will be delivered to each party by U.S. Mail.

Sincerely,

Lisa A. Anderl

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cc: All parties of record (*via e-mail and U.S. mail*)