

EXHIBIT NO. ___(WFD-2)
DOCKET NO. UE-06 ___/UG-06 ___
2006 PSE GENERAL RATE CASE
WITNESS: WILLIAM F. DONAHUE

**BEFORE THE
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

**WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,**

Complainant,

v.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.,

Respondent.

Docket No. UE-06 ___
Docket No. UG-06 ___

**FIRST EXHIBIT (PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS) TO THE
PREFILED DIRECT TESTIMONY OF
WILLIAM F. DONAHUE
ON BEHALF OF PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.**

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**FIRST EXHIBIT (PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS) TO THE
PREFILED DIRECT TESTIMONY OF WILLIAM F. DONAHUE**

Q. Please state your name and business address.

A. My name is William (Bill) F. Donahue. My business address is 10885 NE 4th Street, P.O. Box 97034, Bellevue WA 98009-9734.

Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?

A. I am employed by Puget Sound Energy, Inc. (“PSE” or “the Company”) as the Manager of Gas Resource Planning and Analysis.

Q. What are your duties in that capacity?

A. I am responsible for: (i) performing long-term gas resource planning for both the gas and electric portfolios, including preparation of the gas portions of the Company’s Least Cost Plan; (ii) providing analytical support for long-term gas resource acquisitions; (iii) maintaining the Company’s relationship with pipeline owners and operators; (iv) negotiating pipeline capacity acquisitions; and (v) representing the Company before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”) and Canadian regulatory bodies involving gas pipeline and storage rates and tariffs.

1 **Q. Briefly describe your education.**

2 A. I hold a Bachelor of Science in Accounting degree from Marquette University
3 (Milwaukee, Wisconsin) and am a Certified Public Accountant.

4 **Q. Briefly describe your other relevant employment experience.**

5 A. I was employed by Arthur Andersen & Co. (Milwaukee, Wisconsin) from 1976-
6 1981 where I conducted financial statement audits and special consulting projects
7 primarily for regulated utilities.

8 From 1981 through 1991, I was employed in roles of increasing responsibility in
9 the Rates, Regulatory Affairs and Planning organizations at Northwest Alaskan
10 Pipeline and Northwest Pipeline Corporation (Salt Lake City, Utah). I was a
11 member of the open-access industry transition team that led the company's
12 conversion from merchant to transporter. In addition, I testified before the U.S.
13 Federal Energy Regulatory Commission as an expert witness on rate design
14 matters, storage utilization and pipeline capacity and displacement, including
15 preparation and sponsorship of the pipeline's mileage and displacement study.

16 From 1991 through early 1997 I managed gas supply planning, gas cost
17 accounting and U.S. federal regulatory matters for Washington Natural Gas
18 Company ("WNG"). I was an active participant in or co-author of several
19 regulatory settlements of major policy and rate issues for pipelines in the Pacific
20 Northwest associated with gas industry transition.

1 Since the 1997 merger of WNG and Puget Sound Power and Light Company into
2 Puget Sound Energy, my responsibilities have included developing and
3 administering PSE's Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) gas cost recovery
4 mechanism and PGA Incentive Mechanism, gas rate design and other Washington
5 State regulatory issues as well as gas resource planning.

6 In 2003 I transferred to PSE's Resource Planning Department. My current
7 responsibilities include: management of PSE's gas resource planning efforts,
8 management of PSE's gas related U.S. federal and Canadian regulatory matters,
9 and gas resource acquisition support for both the core gas and generation
10 portfolios. I also manage tariff and contract matters of the Jackson Prairie
11 Storage Project, which is operated and 1/3 owned by PSE.

12 **Q. Have you previously appeared as a witness before the Washington Utilities**
13 **and Transportation Commission ("WUTC") or other regulatory bodies?**

14 A. Yes, I testified before the WUTC in the *Kimberly-Clark vs. PSE* case (UG-
15 990619) in 1999. In addition, I have made numerous presentations regarding
16 PSE's purchased gas costs and regional gas supply and interstate pipeline matters
17 to WUTC Commissioners in open-meetings since 1992. I represented Northwest
18 Pipeline in its 1988 Rate Design Case before the FERC.

19 I served on a witness panel representing the Western Export Group (consisting of
20 PSE, Cascade Natural Gas, Northwest Natural Gas, Avista Utilities, Terasen Gas,
21 PG&E, and others) in both the 1999 and 2005 Nova Gas Transmission Ltd. Toll

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Design (Phase II) cases before the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board. I
represented PSE before the National Energy Board (Canada) in Westcoast
Energy's 2004 Rate Case.

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