EXHIBIT NO. ___(TAD-2)
DOCKET NO. UE-12___/UG-12__
JOINT DECOUPLING ACCOUNTING
PETITION
WITNESS: TOM DE BOER

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition of

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC. and NW ENERGY COALITION

For an Order Authorizing PSE To Implement Electric and Natural Gas Decoupling Mechanisms and To Record Accounting Entries Associated With the Mechanisms Docket No. UE-12____ Docket No. UG-12____

FIRST EXHIBIT (PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS) TO THE PREFILED DIRECT TESTIMONY OF TOM DE BOER ON BEHALF OF PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.

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Q. Please state your name and business address.

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A. My name is Tom De Boer. My business address is 10885 N.E. Fourth Street,Suite 800, Bellevue WA 98004-5579.

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

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A. I am employed by Puget Sound Energy, Inc. ("PSE") as Director, Federal and State Regulatory Affairs.

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Q. What are your duties as Director, Federal and State Regulatory Affairs?

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A. I am responsible for the management and direction of the preparation of general

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rate proceedings and other regulatory filings before the Federal Energy

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Regulatory Commission ("FERC"), the Bonneville Power Administration and this

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Commission. I oversee the rates department, the research and development of

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federal and state regulatory policy, and the strategy on tariff and other regulatory

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initiatives.

Q. Briefly describe your education and relevant employment experience.

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A I graduated with honors from the University of Montana in 1985 with a Bachelor

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of Arts in geology. I received a Master of Science in geology from Western Washington University in Bellingham, Washington in 1991. I graduated *magna*

cum laude with a Juris Doctorate from Gonzaga University School of Law in 1997. From 1997 to 2005, I was an attorney in private practice, concentrating on energy and utility law, and representing utilities before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Bonneville Power Administration and state regulatory agencies. I joined PSE in 2004 as Director of Rates and Regulatory Affairs. I have over 12 years of experience in the areas of federal and state utility regulation. Since joining PSE, I have represented the Company in numerous proceedings before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the Bonneville Power Administration, and I have provided oversight in many matters before this Commission.