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NOTICE OF POTENTIAL EX PARTE COMMUNICATION
(Rebuttal statements due Thursday, November 17, 2022)

RE: *Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Puget Sound Energy*,
Dockets UE-220066, UG-220067, and UG-210918 (*Consolidated*)

TO ALL PARTIES:

On January 31, 2022, Puget Sound Energy (PSE or Company) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) revisions to its currently effective Tariff WN U-60, Tariff G, Electric Service, and its currently effective Tariff WN U-2, Natural Gas. The Company characterizes this filing as a general rate case (GRC).

On October 28, 2022, a member of the public, Cindy Kisska, emailed the Commission at the email address UTC DL Commissioners Commissioners@utc.wa.gov (Kisska's October 28, 2022, email). Kisska made several accusations regarding PSE and referred to the testimony filed by Richard Lauckhart, a witness for the Coalition of Eastside Neighbors for Sensible Energy (CENSE). This email was subsequently posted to the docket for this consolidated proceeding on October 31, 2022.

On November 3, 2022, PSE filed a Rebuttal to Ex Parte Comment. PSE notes that Kisska's October 28, 2022, email is untimely, falling after the deadline for public comments. PSE requests that the Commission disregard Kisska's October 28, 2022, email as untimely, improper, and duplicative of earlier public comments from the same individual.

In the interests of fully adhering to the rules against ex parte communications, as provided in RCW 34.05.455 and WAC 480-07-310, the Commission provides notice that the parties to this proceeding may file a written rebuttal statement concerning Kisska's October 28, 2022, email. The Commission accepts and considers PSE's November 3, 2022, rebuttal even though it was

filed prior to the issuance of this Notice. PSE may also submit a revised rebuttal statement if it wishes to respond to any specific points discussed in this Notice.

The parties are reminded that, pursuant to WAC 480-07-310(4), ex parte communications will not constitute evidence of any fact at issue in the proceeding unless a party moves to admit any portion into evidence and the Commission grants that motion.

Individuals following this proceeding are also reminded that ex parte communications are considered improper and a violation of the Washington Administrative Procedure Act. Furthermore, unless the Commission orders otherwise, the record in this proceeding closed on October 4, 2022, with the conclusion of the evidentiary hearing.

THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That pursuant to WAC 480-07-310(4), any party in this docket may file a written rebuttal statement concerning the matters raised by Kisska's October 28, 2022, email. Any such statement must be filed by Thursday, November 17, 2022.

/s/ Michael Howard
MICHAEL HOWARD
Administrative Law Judge