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Ms. Carole J. Washburn, Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
P.O. Box 47250
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

RE: Docket No. UG-920840 - Residential Water Heater Rental Service
Advice No. 99045 - Natural Gas Tariff Filing

Dear Ms. Washburn;

Enclosed please find an original and three copies of the following substitute tariff sheets:

WN U-2 (Natural Gas Tariff):

Sixteenth Revision Sheet No. 171 - Schedule No. 71 Residential Water Heater Rental Service
Fourth Revision Sheet No. 171-A - Schedule No. 71 (Continued) Residential Water Heater Rental Service

The substitute sheets state the docket with which these tariff sheets comply.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at (425) 456-2797.

Very truly yours,

Karl R. Karzmar
Manager, Revenue Requirements

Enclosure

cc: Merton Lott, WUTC
Michael Parvinen, WUTC
Kimberly Harris, PSE

WN U-2

Sixteenth Revision Sheet No. 171
 Cancelling
 Fifteenth Revision Sheet No. 171

PUGET SOUND ENERGY
 SCHEDULE NO. 71
 Residential Water Heater Rental Service

Section 1: Availability; Closed to Some New Accounts

1. Throughout territory served, at the option of the company, for residential use in single- or multiple-dwelling units where the customer qualifies for and has entered into an agreement with the company for the rental of water heater(s) owned and maintained by the company.
2. Rental service is restricted for all models of water heaters with energy factors less than .60 as indicated in Section 3 below.

Section 2: General Rules and Regulations

Service under this schedule is subject to the rules and regulations contained in company's tariff.

Section 3: Rates

1. Monthly rental charge for water heaters of not over fifty-five gallon storage capacity or 60,000 Btu input:

a. Standard Models	\$5.00*	(I) (I)
b. Conservation Models	\$8.00**	
c. Direct Vent Models	\$11.40**	
d. High Recovery Models	\$10.20**	
e. High Efficiency Standard (Energy Factor $\geq .60$) ¹	\$4.00	
f. High Efficiency Direct Vent (Energy Factor $\geq .60$) ¹	\$6.95	

¹ As listed in the current Gas Appliance Manufacturers Association publication, "Consumers' Directory of Certified Energy Ratings."

* Limited to those existing installations where tank is owned and maintained by the company and was being served under this schedule as of May 21, 1986.

** Limited to those existing installations where tank is owned and maintained by the company and was being served under this schedule as of October 9, 1993.

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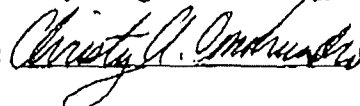
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Fourth Revision Sheet No. 171-A
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PUGET SOUND ENERGY
SCHEDULE NO. 71 (Continued)
Residential Water Heater Rental Service

- 2. The rates named herein are subject to subsequent tariff revisions and to additions as set forth in Schedule No. 1.

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Section 4: Payment

The rental charge will be billed as such and is payable monthly in accordance with the company's regular billing schedule for gas service.

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