BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, Complainant, v. PUGET SOUND ENERGY, Respondent.	DOCKETS UE-220066 and UG-220067 *(Consolidated)*

EXHIBIT APR-4

PSE Response to TEP DR 132

December 8, 2023

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Puget Sound Energy
2022 General Rate Case

THE ENERGY PROJECT DATA REQUEST NO. 132:

Reference: Wallace, CLW-29, Equity Features of Customers Past Due Customers.

    a. Please add and fill out columns with past due thresholds of >$250, $500-749, $750-$999, and >$1,000.

    b. Please add and fill out a column for customers with past due thresholds over $1,000 and earning above 200% FPL (ie, customers for are eligible for resumed collections in Phase One, as of May 2022).

    c. Please replicate categories and bins included in the table, included those added in parts a and b above, but provide dollar arrearage figures rather than customer counts.

Response:

Please note that on November 30, 2023, counsel for Puget Sound Energy ("PSE") received an email from counsel for The Energy Project requesting modification of the additional thresholds requested in The Energy Project Data Request No. 132(a) due to a prior data request response. Accordingly, instead of column additions with past due thresholds of >$250, $500-749, $750-$999, and >$1,000, PSE is providing column additions with past due thresholds of $150-249, $250-499, $500-749, $750-999, and >1000, as requested.

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a. Please see below Table 1, which includes the requested column additions to CLW-29. Please note that this data is valid as of October 31, 2023. Some categories below, such as customer counts of Known Low-Income and High Vulnerability Populations, update automatically in Puget Sound Energy's ("PSE") data system. As a result, PSE used the most recent arrearage data (10/31/2023) to be consistent with the date of customer features.

Table 1

Past Due Threshold	>$1	>$70	$150-$249	$250-$499	$500-$749	$750-$999	>$1000
Total Customer Count	262,599	192,588	32,984	37,880	21,682	16,757	29,876
Number in Highly Impacted Community (HIC)	88,270 (33.6%)	67,301 (34.9%)	10,799 (32.7%)	13,165 (34.8%)	7,942 (36.6%)	6,457 (38.5%)	11,963 (40.0%)
Number in High Vulnerability Population	124,272 (47.3%)	94,304 (49.0%)	14,855 (45.0%)	18,495 (48.8%)	11,166 (51.5%)	9,130 (54.5%)	16,744 (56.0%)
Number Known Low-Income	13,933 (5.3%)	12,521 (6.5%)	1,705 (5.2%)	2,782 (7.3%)	1,830 (8.4%)	1,407 (8.4%)	3,055 (10.2%)
Number Estimated Low-Income	120,045 (45.7%)	92,836 (48.2%)	14,293 (43.3%)	17,724 (46.8%)	10,999 (50.7%)	8,993 (53.7%)	18,447 (61.7%)
Number Energy Burdened	46,684 (17.8%)	38,598 (20.0%)	5,348 (16.2%)	7,025 (18.5%)	4,344 (20.0%)	3,485 (20.8%)	10,967 (36.7%)

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b. Please see below Table 2, which includes the requested column addition to Table 1 in part a. Please note that this data is valid as of October 31, 2023. Some categories below, such as customer counts of Known Low-Income and High Vulnerability Populations, update automatically in PSE's data system. As a result, PSE used the most recent arrearage data (10/31/2023) to be consistent with the date of customer features.

Table 2

Past Due Threshold	>$1	>$70	$150-$249	$250-$499	$500-$749	$750-$999	>$1000	>$1000 and >200% FPL
Total Customer Count	262,599	192,588	32,984	37,880	21,682	16,757	29,876	19,218
Number in Highly Impacted Community (HIC)	88,270 (33.6%)	67,301 (34.9%)	10,799 (32.7%)	13,165 (34.8%)	7,942 (36.6%)	6,457 (38.5%)	11,963 (40.0%)	7,065 (36.8%)
Number in High Vulnerability Population	124,272 (47.3%)	94,304 (49.0%)	14,855 (45.0%)	18,495 (48.8%)	11,166 (51.5%)	9,130 (54.5%)	16,744 (56.0%)	9,773 (50.9%)
Number Known Low-Income	13,933 (5.3%)	12,521 (6.5%)	1,705 (5.2%)	2,782 (7.3%)	1,830 (8.4%)	1,407 (8.4%)	3,055 (10.2%)	1,871 (9.7%)
Number Estimated Low-Income	120,045 (45.7%)	92,836 (48.2%)	14,293 (43.3%)	17,724 (46.8%)	10,999 (50.7%)	8,993 (53.7%)	18,447 (61.7%)	8,974 (46.7%)
Number Energy Burdened	46,684 (17.8%)	38,598 (20.0%)	5,348 (16.2%)	7,025 (18.5%)	4,344 (20.0%)	3,485 (20.8%)	10,967 (36.7%)	3,487 (18.1%)

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c. Please see below Table 3, which includes the requested categories and bins by total past due amounts rather than customer counts. Please note that this data is valid as of October 31, 2023. Some categories below, such as customer counts of Known Low-Income and High Vulnerability Populations, update automatically in PSE's data system. As a result, PSE used the most recent arrearage data (10/31/2023) to be consistent with the date of customer features.

Table 3

Past Due Threshold	>$1	>$70	$150-$249	$250-$499	$500-$749	$750-$999	>$1000	>$1000 and >200% FPL
Total Past Due Amount	$140,410,808	$137,795,502	$6,411,570	$13,546,298	$13,326,196	$14,596,713	$84,231,194	$59,900,460
Past Due in Highly Impacted Community (HIC)	$51,854,789	$51,064,639	$2,100,677	$4,725,904	$4,912,956	$5,621,400	$31,915,539	$21,363,706
Past Due in High Vulnerability Population	$67,238,511	$66,097,015	$2,894,200	$6,650,304	$6,902,279	$7,955,301	$39,179,470	$24,575,750
Past Due from Known Low-Income	$9,666,253	$9,610,950	$340,161	$1,015,800	$1,138,491	$1,229,270	$5,701,117	$3,399,934
Past Due from Estimated Low-Income	$64,835,125	$63,792,751	$2,789,342	$6,377,082	$6,806,199	$7,842,697	$37,615,836	$17,234,072
Past Due from Energy Burdened	$35,770,272	$35,466,991	$1,048,308	$2,522,775	$2,679,695	$3,036,578	$25,386,838	$8,218,813

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