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Docket No. U-072375

Witness: Nancy E. Hirsh

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE  
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

**In the Matter of the Joint Application of**

**PUGET HOLDINGS LLC**

**and**

**PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.**

**For an Order Authorizing Proposed Transaction**

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**EXHIBIT TO TESTIMONY OF**

**NANCY E. HIRSH**

**ON BEHALF OF NW ENERGY COALITION**

*PSE Renewable Energy Summary*

**June 18, 2008**

## **PSE Renewable Energy Summary<sup>1</sup>**

### **PSE is committed to developing renewable energy resources**

Puget Sound Energy believes renewable sources of energy, such as electricity produced from the wind, the sun, or otherwise landfilled waste products, will be an increasingly important part of the Northwest's energy future. That future, in fact, has already arrived for PSE customers.

In late 2005, PSE became the first and so far the only Northwest utility to solely build and operate a large wind farm. Our Hopkins Ridge Wind Project in southeast Washington's Columbia County is now generating clean, renewable, low-cost power. Since late 2006, a second, even larger PSE wind farm, Wild Horse Wind Project, in central Kittitas County has been churning out renewable power.

PSE remains committed to the development of additional renewable-energy resources. The utility is involved in a variety of studies, pilot projects, and small-scale renewable-power initiatives, such as a facility that generates electricity from dairy-cow waste and research into producing power from Puget Sound tidal action.

PSE's two wind farms produce enough electricity to serve about 100,000 households. PSE also promotes the development of renewable energy through our Green Power Program, which since 2001 has offered customers the option to purchase electricity from renewable energy resources, primarily in the form of "green tag" credits from suppliers of renewable energy.

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.pse.com/energyEnvironment/renewableenergy4/Pages/energyRenewables.aspx>