Exhibit No. (NEH-8)
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

**Docket No. U-072375** 

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.

For an Order Authorizing Proposed Transaction

# EXHIBIT TO TESTIMONY OF NANCY E. HIRSH ON BEHALF OF NW ENERGY COALITION

Response to NWEC Data Request No. 1.06

June 18, 2008

Exhibit No. (NEH-8)
Docket No. U-072375
Witness: Nancy E. Hirsh
Page 1

#### BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Docket No. U-072375
Puget Holdings LLC and Puget Sound Energy, Inc.
Joint Application for an Order Authorizing Proposed Transaction

### **NWEC DATA REQUEST NO. 01.06**

#### **NWEC DATA REQUEST NO. 01.06:**

[JA, p. 18, II. 2-4 and Leslie, p. 30, II. 20-23] Since the passage of Initiative 937 in Washington State, has PSE discussed internally (or with Holdings or any Consortium member) whether to propose, lobby, or otherwise advocate for revisions to the Act, the Standard, and/or PSE's obligations under the Act and Standard? If so, please provide copies of all correspondence, written communications, notes, studies, and other documents relating to such discussions.

#### Response:

In the course of drafting comments in response to the Commission's Proposed Rule Making and Notice of Opportunity to Submit Written Comments on Proposed Rules to Implement the Energy Independence Act, RCW 19.285, in Commission Docket No. UE-061895, Puget Sound Energy, Inc. ("PSE") discussed internally potential revisions to the Energy Independence Act to clarify certain language associated with such act. Such suggested clarifications are generally consistent with the comments filed by PSE in Docket No. UE-061895. Such discussions were internal only and in the form of brainstorming; therefore, PSE has no correspondence, written communications, notes, studies, or other documents relating to such discussions. Furthermore, PSE has not proposed, lobbied, or otherwise advocated for revisions to the Act, the Standard, and/or PSE's obligations under the Act and Standard, and PSE has no present intention to propose, lobby, or otherwise advocate for revisions to the Act, the Standard, and/or PSE's obligations under the Act and Standard.

PSE has not discussed with Puget Holdings LLC or any member of the Investor Consortium whether to propose, lobby, or otherwise advocate for revisions to the Act, the Standard, and/or PSE's obligations under the Act and Standard. Similarly, PSE has not proposed, lobbied, or otherwise advocated for revisions to the Act, the Standard, or PSE's obligations under the Act and Standard.

Joint Applicants' Response to NWEC Data Request No. 01.03

Date of Response: March 11, 2008

Person who Prepared the Response: Lisa Rice

Witness Knowledgeable About the Response: Eric M. Markell