

**EXH. CLW-36
DOCKETS UE-220066/UG-220067 et al.
2022 PSE GENERAL RATE CASE
WITNESS: CAROL L. WALLACE**

**BEFORE THE
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

**WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,**

Complainant,

v.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY,

Respondent.

**Docket UE-220066
Docket UG-220067**

In the Matter of the Petition of

PUGET SOUND ENERGY

**For an Order Authorizing Deferred
Accounting Treatment for Puget Sound
Energy's Share of Costs Associated
with the Tacoma LNG Facility**

Docket UG-210918

**FIFTH EXHIBIT (NONCONFIDENTIAL) TO THE
PREFILED REBUTTAL TESTIMONY OF**

CAROL L. WALLACE

**IN SUPPORT OF PETITION TO AMEND FINAL ORDER
ON BEHALF OF PUGET SOUND ENERGY**

DECEMBER 22, 2023

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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THE ENERGY PROJECT DATA REQUEST NO. 102:

Reference: Docket U-210800, Comments of PSE at p. 10, fn 2 (June 21, 2023)

What estimated rate impact(s) does PSE allege would become annual? Please provide the workpapers used to develop any alleged rate impacts.

Response:

In the referenced Comments, Puget Sound Energy (“PSE”) estimated that a scenario of “prohibiting disconnects for all customers,” using the May 31, 2023 arrearage data and the estimated forecasted revenue at rates effective May 1, 2023, would result in an approximate rate increase for electric customers of 4.8% and for gas customers, an approximate rate impact of 3.2%. These estimated rate impacts would be one-time for a 12-month period.

In footnote 2, PSE wanted to note that, if scenarios 3-5¹ were to become permanent disconnection moratoriums, the associated past-due balances that accumulate continuously could become regular (e.g., annual if requested to be recovered annually) and perpetual rate impacts for all customers.

To estimate rate impacts that could become annual, PSE did the following calculation: using the arrearage data for 12-months (from May 31, 2022 to May 31, 2023), PSE calculated an estimated approximate rate increase for electric customers of 1% and an estimated approximate rate increase for gas customers of 1%, using the estimated forecasted revenue at rates effective May 1, 2023.

Attached as Attachment A to PSE’s Response to The Energy Project (“TEP”) Data Request No. 102, please find the workpaper demonstrating the calculation of all the estimated rate impacts noted in this response.

¹ Scenario 3: prohibit disconnections for nonpayment for all residential customers. Scenario 4: prohibit disconnections for nonpayment for small business customers. Scenario 5: prohibit disconnections for nonpayment for all customers.

**ATTACHMENT A to PSE's Response to
The Energy Project
Data Request No. 102**