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CROSS-ANSWERING TESTIMONY (NON-CONFIDENTIAL) OF

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ON BEHALF OF NORTHWEST ENERGY COALITION, RENEWABLE NORTHWEST, AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL

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**FEA’s Responses to the**

**First Set of Data Requests of**

**NW Energy Coalition, Renewable Northwest, and**

**Natural Resources Defense Council to FEA**

**NWEC/RNW/NRDC Data Request No. 001 to FEA:**

Please refer to page 7, lines 3-7, of the response testimony of Ali Al-Jabir. Does Mr. Al-Jabir have any empirical evidence that customers within PSE’s service territory have reduced energy conservation as a result of decoupling? If so, please provide all such evidence.

**FEA’s Response:**

Mr. Al-Jabir is not aware of any studies that have attempted to quantify the impact of decoupling on voluntary customer energy conservation activity in PSE’s service territory. However, as a general matter, large customers are sophisticated users of electricity who evaluate the cost-effectiveness and payback periods associated with voluntary energy efficiency initiatives. All else being equal, decoupling adversely impacts customer incentives to engage in voluntary energy conservation initiatives by increasing the costs and lengthening the payback periods associated with such initiatives.