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BEFORE THE
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.,

For (1) Approval of the Proposed Sale of PSE's
Share of the Centralia Power Plant and
Associated Transmission Facilities, and (2)
Authorization to Amortize Gain over a Five-
Year Period

DOCKET NO. UE-991409

**AFFIDAVIT OF
DEBORAH L. SIFFERMAN**

STATE OF WASHINGTON)
) ss.
County of King)

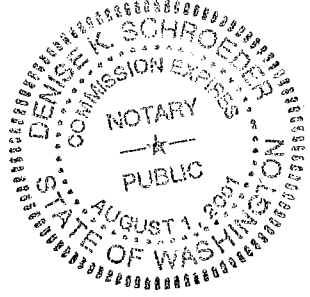
DEBORAH L. SIFFERMAN, being duly sworn, states:

1. My name is Deborah L. Sifferman. I am an Administrative Specialist with Puget Sound Energy, Inc. ("PSE" or the "Company") in the Rates and Regulation Department.
2. I have used Fleet Foot Courier Service several times in the past to make filings with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (the "Commission"). As long as the courier receives the document by 1:30 p.m., the Company has been guaranteed delivery to the Commission by 4:30 p.m.
3. On March 16, 2000, I coordinated with Fleet Foot for the filing of the Petition for Reconsideration in the above docket, with the Commission.

4. I informed Fleet Foot that the document would be ready for a 1:00 p.m. pickup and would need to be delivered to Olympia by no later than 4:30 p.m. for filing with the Commission that same day.
5. The courier picked up our package at 1:30 p.m. I called the WUTC Records Center at 4:30 p.m. to confirm delivery but was told that the document had not arrived.
6. On the morning of March 17, I was informed by the Records Center that the document did not arrive in Olympia for timely filing on March 16th and that it would be stamped and filed March 17th.
7. I called Fleet Foot for an explanation on why the document was not delivered per Company instructions. I spoke to a messenger, Alex Rogers. Fleet Foot's response is attached to this affidavit.

Deborah L. Sifferman
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SIGNED AND SWORN to before me on March 17, 2000, by Deborah L. Sifferman.



Denise Schroeder
 Print Name: DENISE SCHROEDER
 Notary Public in and for the State of Washington, residing
 at SNOWALMIE, WA
 My commission expires: AUG 1, 2001

March 17, 2000

Puget Sound Energy
Deb Sifferman
Fax: 425-462-3414

Re: Letter of Explanation

This letter is in reference to the mishandled delivery to Olympia of March 16, 2000.

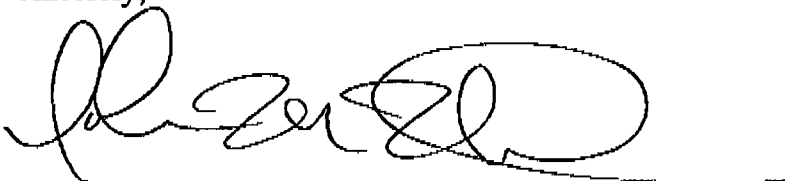
The first error occurred when Deb from PSE called in to advise us that the package would be ready for delivery at noon rather than 1:30 PM as originally planned. The Customer Service Agent taking the call did not reschedule the job appropriately. The CSA has been counseled on the proper protocol.

The second error occurred when the courier to whom the job was assigned misread the address on the package and took the job to the wrong building. This resulted in a delay while the courier realized his mistake and located the correct building. The courier, who is new, has been counseled on the proper protocols regarding late deliveries.

The third error occurred when the dispatcher on duty, once discovering the status of the package, did not call Deb to advise her of the situation. The dispatcher has been counseled regarding the necessity of keeping the customer informed at all times.

We apologize for any inconvenience these errors may have caused. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this job or your account, you may feel free to call me at 206-505-9747.

Sincerely,



John M. Hartman
General Manager
Fleetfoot Messenger Service

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