BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.,

Respondent.

Dockets UE-121697 and UG-121705 (*Consolidated*)

Dockets UE-130137 and UG-130138 (*Consolidated*)

EXHIBIT NO.__(MPG-12)

SUSTAINABLE GROWTH RATE

April 26, 2013

Puget Sound Energy, Inc.

Sustainable Growth Rate

		3 to 5 Year Projections									
		Dividends	Earnings	Book Value Book Value			Adjustment	Adjusted	Payout	Retention	Internal
Line	<u>Company</u>	Per Share	Per Share	Per Share	Growth	ROE	Factor	ROE	Ratio	Rate	Growth Rate
		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)
1	ALLETE, Inc.	\$2.20	\$3.75	\$36.25	3.53%	10.34%	1.02	10.52%	58.67%	41.33%	4.35%
2	Alliant Energy Corporation	\$2.20	\$3.70	\$34.50	4.08%	10.72%	1.02	10.94%	59.46%	40.54%	4.43%
3	American Electric Power Company, Inc.	\$2.30	\$3.75	\$38.25	4.05%	9.80%	1.02	10.00%	61.33%	38.67%	3.87%
4	Avista Corporation	\$1.30	\$2.00	\$23.25	2.45%	8.60%	1.01	8.71%	65.00%	35.00%	3.05%
5	Cleco Corporation	\$2.00	\$3.50	\$31.25	4.90%	11.20%	1.02	11.47%	57.14%	42.86%	4.91%
6	CMS Energy Corporation	\$1.30	\$2.00	\$16.00	5.57%	12.50%	1.03	12.84%	65.00%	35.00%	4.49%
7	Consolidated Edison, Inc.	\$2.62	\$4.25	\$47.75	3.35%	8.90%	1.02	9.05%	61.65%	38.35%	3.47%
8	DTE Energy Company	\$3.05	\$4.75	\$52.50	4.18%	9.05%	1.02	9.23%	64.21%	35.79%	3.30%
9	Edison International	\$1.65	\$3.75	\$32.25	2.87%	11.63%	1.01	11.79%	44.00%	56.00%	6.60%
10	Great Plains Energy Inc.	\$1.20	\$2.00	\$24.75	2.62%	8.08%	1.01	8.19%	60.00%	40.00%	3.27%
11	IDACORP, Inc.	\$1.90	\$3.40	\$41.00	3.10%	8.29%	1.02	8.42%	55.88%	44.12%	3.71%
12	Integrys Energy Group, Inc.	\$2.80	\$4.00	\$45.75	3.33%	8.74%	1.02	8.89%	70.00%	30.00%	2.67%
13	Northeast Utilities	\$1.80	\$3.25	\$35.25	4.02%	9.22%	1.02	9.40%	55.38%	44.62%	4.19%
14	NorthWestern Corporation	\$1.80	\$3.00	\$29.50	3.32%	10.17%	1.02	10.34%	60.00%	40.00%	4.13%
15	PG&E Corporation	\$2.00	\$3.50	\$36.25	3.48%	9.66%	1.02	9.82%	57.14%	42.86%	4.21%
16	Pinnacle West Capital Corporation	\$2.50	\$4.00	\$41.25	2.67%	9.70%	1.01	9.82%	62.50%	37.50%	3.68%
17	Portland General Electric Company	\$1.25	\$2.25	\$26.00	2.66%	8.65%	1.01	8.77%	55.56%	44.44%	3.90%
18	TECO Energy, Inc.	\$0.95	\$1.45	\$12.00	2.51%	12.08%	1.01	12.23%	65.52%	34.48%	4.22%
19	UIL Holdings Corporation	\$1.73	\$2.55	\$28.45	5.32%	8.96%	1.03	9.20%	67.84%	32.16%	2.96%
20	Westar Energy, Inc.	\$1.52	\$2.60	\$28.15	4.22%	9.24%	1.02	9.43%	58.46%	41.54%	3.92%
21	Wisconsin Energy Corporation	\$2.00	\$3.00	\$21.00	3.07%	% 14.29% 1.		14.50%	66.67%	33.33%	4.83%
22	Xcel Energy Inc.	\$1.35	\$2.25	\$22.00	3.81%	10.23%	1.02	10.42%	60.00%	40.00%	4.17%
23	Average	\$1.88	\$3.12	\$31.97	3.60%	10.00%	1.02	10.18%	60.52%	39.48%	4.02%

Sources and Notes:

Cols. (1), (2) and (3): The Value Line Investment Survey, February 1, February 22, and March 22, 2013. Col. (4): [Col. (3) / Page 2 Col. (2)] ^ (1/5) - 1.

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Col. (7): Col. (6) * Col. (5).

Col. (8): Col. (1) / Col. (2).

Col. (9): 1 - Col. (8).

Col. (10): Col. (9) * Col. (7).

Col. (11): Col. (10) + Page 2 Col. (9).

Puget Sound Energy, Inc.

Sustainable Growth Rate

Sustainable			13-Week	2012	Market	Common Shares					
Growth			Average	Book Value	to Book	Outstanding (in Millions) ²					
Rate	Line	<u>Company</u>	Stock Price ¹	Per Share ²	Ratio	<u>2012</u>	3-5 Years	Growth	S Factor ³	V Factor ⁴	<u>S * V⁵</u>
(11)			(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
5.47%	1	ALLETE, Inc.	\$47.48	\$30.48	1.56	39.40	43.50	2.00%	3.12%	35.81%	1.12%
5.06%	2	Alliant Energy Corporation	\$48.20	\$28.25	1.71	110.99	116.00	0.89%	1.51%	41.39%	0.63%
4.25%	3	American Electric Power Company, Inc.	\$46.79	\$31.37	1.49	485.67	505.00	0.78%	1.17%	32.95%	0.39%
3.38%	4	Avista Corporation	\$26.31	\$20.60	1.28	59.80	63.50	1.21%	1.54%	21.70%	0.33%
4.91%	5	Cleco Corporation	\$44.70	\$24.60	1.82	61.00	61.00	0.00%	0.00%	44.96%	0.00%
5.38%	6	CMS Energy Corporation	\$26.80	\$12.20	2.20	264.10	274.00	0.74%	1.62%	54.47%	0.88%
3.47%	7	Consolidated Edison, Inc.	\$58.70	\$40.50	1.45	293.00	293.00	0.00%	0.00%	31.01%	0.00%
4.32%	8	DTE Energy Company	\$66.20	\$42.78	1.55	172.35	189.00	1.86%	2.88%	35.38%	1.02%
6.60%	9	Edison International	\$49.03	\$28.00	1.75	325.81	325.81	0.00%	0.00%	42.89%	0.00%
3.28%	10	Great Plains Energy Inc.	\$22.32	\$21.75	1.03	153.53	154.75	0.16%	0.16%	2.57%	0.00%
3.85%	11	IDACORP, Inc.	\$46.99	\$35.20	1.34	50.00	51.00	0.40%	0.53%	25.09%	0.13%
3.47%	12	Integrys Energy Group, Inc.	\$56.66	\$38.84	1.46	77.90	85.00	1.76%	2.57%	31.46%	0.81%
4.19%	13	Northeast Utilities	\$42.06	\$28.95	1.45	314.00	314.00	0.00%	0.00%	31.16%	0.00%
4.43%	14	NorthWestern Corporation	\$38.91	\$25.05	1.55	37.50	38.50	0.53%	0.82%	35.62%	0.29%
4.60%	15	PG&E Corporation	\$43.55	\$30.55	1.43	430.00	450.00	0.91%	1.30%	29.86%	0.39%
4.08%	16	Pinnacle West Capital Corporation	\$55.90	\$36.15	1.55	110.00	114.00	0.72%	1.11%	35.33%	0.39%
3.97%	17	Portland General Electric Company	\$29.57	\$22.80	1.30	75.55	76.50	0.25%	0.32%	22.89%	0.07%
4.24%	18	TECO Energy, Inc.	\$17.49	\$10.60	1.65	216.60	217.00	0.04%	0.06%	39.40%	0.02%
2.96%	19	UIL Holdings Corporation	\$38.65	\$21.95	1.76	51.00	51.00	0.00%	0.00%	43.21%	0.00%
4.42%	20	Westar Energy, Inc.	\$31.71	\$22.89	1.39	126.50	135.00	1.31%	1.81%	27.81%	0.50%
4.89%	21	Wisconsin Energy Corporation	\$41.01	\$18.05	2.27	229.04	229.50	0.04%	0.09%	55.99%	0.05%
4.74%	22	Xcel Energy Inc.	\$28.78	\$18.25	1.58	490.00	515.00	1.00%	1.58%	36.58%	0.58%
4.36%	23	Average	\$41.26	\$26.81	1.57	189.72	195.55	0.66%	1.01%	34.43%	0.35%

Sources and Notes:

¹ SNL Financial, downloaded on April 22, 2013

² The Value Line Investment Survey, February 1, February 22, and March 22, 2013.

³ Expected Growth in the Number of Shares, Column (3) * Column (6).

⁴ Expected Profit of Stock Investment, [1 - 1 / Column (3)].