

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.

2021 Clean Energy Implementation Plan

DOCKET NO. UE-210795

**NW ENERGY COALITION’S REQUEST
FOR CASE CERTIFICATION AND
NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST
FUNDING GRANT**

1. Pursuant to Order 01 issued by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (“Commission”) in Docket U-210595 and the Washington Interim Participatory Funding Agreement (“Interim Funding Agreement”), NW Energy Coalition (“NWEC” or “the Coalition”) hereby submits this Request for Case Certification and Notice of Intent to Request a Fund Grant. NWEC provides this Notice of Intent to Request a Fund Grant from the Customer Representation Sub-Fund of the Customer Access Fund for Puget Sound Energy¹ pursuant to section 6.2 of the Interim Funding Agreement.

2. NWEC requests certification as a customer representative organization pursuant to sections 5.2.1 and 6.2 of the Interim Funding Agreement. NWEC meets the criteria for certification found in section 5.2.1:

3. NWEC is a non-profit organization.

4. The NW Energy Coalition represents broad customer interests. NWEC is an alliance of more than 100 organizations, including more than 40 in Washington State, and individual members. The Coalition’s work focuses on energy efficiency, renewable energy, low-income and consumer protections, and informed public involvement in building a clean and affordable energy future – matters of broad customer interests in the State of Washington.

NWEC focuses its regulatory engagement on issues that have a material impact on customer-side

¹ See Interim Funding Agreement § 4.2.

resources, energy efficiency, demand response, compliance with environmental and clean energy policies, and ensuring fair and equitable distribution of benefits to all customers, including low-income customers, vulnerable populations and highly impacted communities.

5. NWEC routinely participates in Commission proceedings related to Puget Sound Energy's customers' interests in the above matters. NWEC staff and members participate in meetings of Puget Sound Energy's Integrated Resource Plan Advisory Group, the Conservation Resources Advisory Group, and the Low-Income Advisory Group. NWEC regularly provides informal input and submits formal comments on Puget Sound Energy's energy efficiency programs, low-income rate programs, transportation electrification programs, and CETA implementation. NWEC has provided multiple rounds of comments in this docket, including recommendations that have led to changes adopted by PSE in the Final CEIP.

6. No other case-certified stakeholder participating in this proceeding adequately represents the specific interests of NWEC. NWEC is the only party focused on the interests of customers as they relate to customer-side resources, energy efficiency, transportation electrification, and clean energy access. The public interest will benefit from NWEC's participation in this proceeding by allowing for the Commission to consider expert testimony on the topics in which NWEC has been approved to intervene without objection. Through intervention and participation in Commission proceedings concerning rates, policy statements, and rulemakings over the past four decades, NWEC's activities have directly and materially benefited the public interest. These activities demonstrate that NWEC can effectively advance the general public interest in fair, just, reasonable, and equitable rates and practices.

7. As demonstrated by its track record participating in general rate cases and other proceedings, NWEC's participation will not unduly delay this proceeding.

8. For the foregoing reasons, NWECC respectfully requests that the Commission grant this Request for Case Certification and accept its Notice of Intent to Request a Fund Grant.

Dated this 3rd day of June, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

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