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Ms. Carole Washburn, Executive Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 1300 South Evergreen Park Drive S. W. P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

**RE:** Puget Sound Energy

Application to Amend Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Centralia, Lewis County - Appendix A-6

Dear Ms. Washburn:

Enclosed are an original and nineteen copies of an application to amend Puget Sound Energy's (PSE's) Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity in accordance with RCW 80.28.190 and WAC 480-09-120 (b) and the associated fee. With this application, PSE is requesting to provide natural gas service in a designated portion of Centralia, Lewis County which is contiguous to presently certificated areas. A map of current PSE Certificated Areas illustrates the request to extend Appendix A-6 to include Section 26 T15N R3W.

This application is in the public interest because PSE's proposal will make gas service available to additional customers in Centralia who do not currently have natural gas service available. PSE's application includes documentation of an applicant in Centralia who has the intent to take gas service from PSE.

PSE is currently providing natural gas service to about 3,000 customers in the greater Centralia area. The existing supply system is capable of supplying about 4,500 customers. Therefore current PSE supply facilities are sufficient to accommodate the proposed additional natural gas load.

PSE's application contains confidential information with regard to the name of the specific entity who has requested natural gas service and other business sensitive information. Therefore the Company requests that the Commission keep the above information confidential. The information for which confidential treatment is requested is clearly marked "CONFIDENTIAL" as required by WAC 490-09-015 and sealed in an envelope also marked "CONFIDENTIAL."

If you have additional questions regarding this filing please contact Julie Waltari at (425) 456-2945.

Sincerely,

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Attachments

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