

EXHIBIT NO. _____ (DEG-2)
DOCKET NO. _____
2001 PSE RATE CASE
WITNESS: DONALD E. GAINES

**BEFORE THE
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

**WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,**

Complainant,

v.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.

Respondent.

**PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS OF DONALD E. GAINES
ON BEHALF OF PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.**

1
2 **PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.**

3 **PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS OF DONALD E. GAINES**

4 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

5 A. My name is Donald E. Gaines. My business address is P.O. Box 97034, Bellevue,
6 Washington 98009-9734.

7 **Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?**

8 A. I am employed by Puget Sound Energy, Inc., as Vice President & Treasurer.

9 **Q. Briefly describe your education and relevant employment experience.**

10 A. I received an Associate in Arts and Sciences degree, with high honors, from
11 Tacoma Community College in 1977, graduated cum laude with a Bachelor of
12 Arts degree in Business Administration from the University of Puget Sound in
13 1979 and earned a Master of Business Administration degree from Pacific
14 Lutheran University in 1984.

15 In 1979, I was hired by the Boeing Commercial Airplane Company as a Systems
16 Analyst. I held that position until January 1981 at which time I was hired by
17 Puget Sound Power & Light as a Financial Planning Analyst. From 1981 through
18 mid-1986, I worked in several analyst positions in the financial planning
19 department. In July 1986, I was promoted to Supervisor Shareholder
20 Communications. In December 1986, I was promoted to Manager Financial
21 Planning. I was employed in that position until July 1993 when I was promoted to
22 Director Strategic Planning.

23 I held that position until October 1994 when I was elected Treasurer. I was the
24 Treasurer of the Company until May 2001 when I was elected Vice President &
25 Treasurer.
26

1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25
26

Q. What are your duties as Vice President and Treasurer?

A. I have overall responsibility for investing and raising capital in the financial markets. I am also responsible for maintaining relations with credit rating agencies, financial analysts and commercial and investment banks. In addition, I oversee the Company's forecasting, analytical, performance analysis and budgeting activities.

[BA013250005]