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BY ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION

Ms. Carole Washburn, Executive Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
Chandler Plaza Building
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW
Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Re: Washington UTC v. Puget Sound Energy, Inc.
Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission
Docket Nos. UE-060266 and UG-060267

Dear Ms. Washburn:

As discussed with Mike Sommerville in Records Management on even date, I am unable to make a personal appearance at the prehearing conference set for tomorrow, March 21, 2006, at 1:30 p.m. for health reasons. Therefore, on behalf of counsel of record, Norman Furuta, please accept this correspondence as the Federal Executive Agencies ("FEA") Notice of Appearance in the above referenced matter.

The FEA intends to participate in settlement discussions. Also, the FEA intends to call two witnesses:

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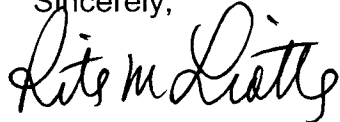
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Thank you for your consideration in this matter. Please do not hesitate to call me at (650) 746-7311 if you should have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rita M. Liotta". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Rita" being the most prominent.

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