BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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DOCKET UE-161123

Complainant,

AGREED MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

v.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY,

Respondent.

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Pursuant to WAC 480-07-385, Commission Staff ("Staff"), on behalf of all parties ("Parties"), moves for an extension of time for two dates in the procedural schedule established by the Commission in Order 02 in this docket. Specifically, Staff submits this agreed request to slip the date for Response Testimony and Exhibits from March 6, 2017, to March 13, 2017, and the date for Rebuttal and Cross-Answering Testimony and Exhibits from April 7, 2017, to April 11, 2017. The remainder of the procedural schedule would remain unchanged.

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The Commission convened a prehearing conference in this docket on November 7, 2016, before Administrative Law Judge Marguerite E. Friedlander. The prehearing conference produced a procedural schedule for this docket.

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On February 22, 2017, the Parties attended a settlement conference and made substantial progress toward reaching a settlement in principle that would resolve all issues in this proceeding. At the settlement conference, the Parties agreed that the procedural schedule should be amended to enable the Parties to continue working toward settlement. The Parties also agreed that without adjustment to the procedural schedule, they would have

to focus their time and resources on completing testimony at the expense of progress toward settlement.

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The Commission supports the settlement of matters before it. WAC 480-07-385(3)(a) requires parties to file any written motion for extension of time at least five business days prior to the deadline as to which the extension of time is requested. This Motion meets the rule's timing requirement. The extension of time would facilitate the Parties' ability to resolve all issues in this proceeding by settlement, and the extension would not prejudice any of the Parties or the Commission. If the Parties reach a settlement in principle, they will notify the Commission and suggest a preferred procedural alternative for review of the settlement in accordance with WAC 480-07-730 and -740. Accordingly, the Parties request the Commission grant this agreed request for an extension of time.

DATED this 23rd day of February 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ See Order 02 at ¶ 17.