

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE  
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

COALITION OF EASTSIDE  
NEIGHBORHOODS FOR SENSIBLE  
ENERGY,

Complainant,

v.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY.,

Respondent.  
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DOCKET NO. UE-171083

ORDER 01

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO  
WITHDRAW COMPLAINT

**BACKGROUND**

- 1 On October 25, 2017, the Coalition of Eastside Neighborhoods for Sensible Energy (CENSE) filed a complaint (Complaint) with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission), alleging that Puget Sound Energy (PSE) had refused to study a Distribution Automation solution to increase reliability in East Bellevue, and further alleging that once CENSE had hired a consultant to perform an independent study, PSE had repeatedly failed to respond to CENSE’s consultants requests for data necessary to complete the study.
- 2 On October 30, 2017, the Commission issued a Notice Converting Informal Complaint to Formal Complaint; Calling for Answer; and Initiating Adjudicative Proceeding (Notice). The Notice set the deadline for PSE to respond to CENSE’s complaint for November 20, 2017.
- 3 On November 20, 2017, PSE filed with the Commission a response to the Complaint (Response). In its Response, the Company stated, among other things, that it had responded to CENSE’s consultant, but that the information requested included confidential information, that PSE had not agreed to engage in informal discovery, and that formal discovery was not available under the circumstances presented. PSE further claimed that CENSE failed to state a claim on which the Commission can grant relief and lacks standing to request the relief it seeks. PSE requested that the Commission dismiss the Complaint.
- 4 On November 29, 2017, the Commission issued a Notice of Request for Comment, asking parties to comment on the extent to which the Commission has jurisdiction and

authority to grant the relief requested in the Complaint. The Notice of Request for Comment set the deadline to submit comments for December 11, 2017.

- 5 On December 12, 2017, CENSE submitted a Motion to Withdraw Complaint (Motion). The Motion states that CENSE has come to the conclusion that the adjudicative proceeding set in motion by the Complaint, no matter the resolution, will not provide for the timely use of the requested material. The Motion requests that the Commission dismiss the current adjudicative proceeding. PSE does not object to dismissal of the complaint, and indeed had requested such dismissal in its Response.

**DISCUSSION**

- 6 Based on a review of the record in this proceeding, including the Complaint, the Response, and the Motion, the Commission finds the Motion states good cause to withdraw the complaint. The Commission therefore grants the Motion and closes this proceeding.

**ORDER**

- 7 THE COMMISSION ORDERS That the Complainant's Motion to Withdraw Complaint is granted and the complaint against Puget Sound Energy is dismissed.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective December 13, 2017.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

GREGORY J. KOPTA  
Administrative Law Judge