

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

<p>BELLINGHAM COLD STORAGE COMPANY and GEORGIA-PACIFIC WEST, INC.,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Complainants,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">v.</p> <p>PUGET SOUND ENERGY,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Respondent.</p>	<p>No. UE-001014</p> <p>OPPOSITION TO PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.'S REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE AND EXTENSION OF TIME</p>
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Public Utility District No. 1 of Whatcom County (the "District") opposes the Request For Continuance And Extension Of Time filed by Puget Sound Energy, Inc.

As the declarations of Bellingham Cold Storage Company and Georgia-Pacific West Inc. demonstrate, unstable electric costs may force these companies to shut down their operations in Whatcom County as early as August, 2000. For this reason, the Emergency Motion for Implementation of "Optional Price Stability" Provisions of Special Contracts and, If Necessary, for a Retail Access Pilot Program should be heard at the earliest possible date.

DATED this 27th day of July, 2000.

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