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SCHEDULE 303 WASHINGTON ENVIRONMENTAL COST RECOVERY MECHANISM (continued)

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<u>SPECIAL CONDITIONS – ECRM ADJUSTMENTS (continued):</u>

- 1. One hundred percent of the Washington Customer's share of the deferral account balance deemed prudent will be transferred to an ECRM Account for amortization in each Collection Period.
- 2. In the event that the amount in the ECRM Account in any Collection Period is negative (a refund), the Company, subject to approval by the Commission, will apply the refund to Customer bills in the next Collection Period. A credit balance may be carried to the next Collection Period if it is determined by the Commission that the credit balance is best used to offset future expected Environmental Site Remediation Costs not yet recorded in the deferral account, or for such other reasons as the Commission may approve.
- 3. The amounts in the ECRM Account will be amortized and applied to Customer bills based on equal percent of margin by Rate Schedule and Customer class.
- 4. Any over- or under- collection of the balance in the ECRM Account at the end of a 12-month Collection Period will be retained in the ECRM Account and used to adjust the amount amortized into rates for the subsequent Collection Period.
- 5. Pursuant to Commission Order 02, in Docket UG-110199, by March 1 of every year, the Company will file an annual Washington Environmental Cost Recovery Mechanism (ECRM) Regulatory Report and request the Commission review and make a determination of prudence for all prior calendar year Environmental Site Remediation Costs by September 1 of that same year. The report will detail all activity associated with Environmental Site Remediation Costs, including insurance or other third-party proceeds related to remediation activities recorded in the deferral account.

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