BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Joint Application of)	DOCKET U-072375
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PUGET HOLDINGS LLC AND)	
PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.)	NOTICE OF PREHEARING
)	CONFERENCE
For an Order Authorizing Proposed)	(Set for July 25, 2008, 3:00 p.m.)
Transaction)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
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- Puget Holdings LLC (Puget Holdings) and Puget Sound Energy, Inc. (PSE) on December 17, 2007, filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) a joint application for an order authorizing the proposed transfer of ownership and control of Puget Energy and its wholly owned subsidiary, PSE, to Puget Holdings.
- Following the submission of all prefiled testimony, Commission Staff, Puget Sound Energy, Inc., Puget Holdings LLC, the Industrial Customers of Northwest Utilities (ICNU), Northwest Industrial Gas Users (NWIGU), The Energy Project, The Kroger Company, and the Northwest Energy Coalition filed a proposed Settlement Stipulation. They ask the Commission to approve and adopt their agreement in full resolution of the issues in this proceeding. Public Counsel apparently will oppose Commission adoption and approval of the Settlement Stipulation.
- In accordance with the Commission's procedural rules, we will conduct a hearing to consider testimony and argument relevant to our consideration of the Settlement Stipulation. To promote an efficient hearing process and to establish a procedural schedule, the Commission will conduct a prehearing conference on shortened notice.

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THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That the Commission will hold a prehearing conference in this matter at 3:00 p.m., on Friday, July 25, 2008, in the Commission's Hearing Room, Second Floor, Richard Hemstad Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective July 23, 2008.

WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

DENNIS J. MOSS Administrative Law Judge