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January 4, 2013

The Honorable Christine O. Gregoire Governor of Washington Legislative Building Olympia, WA 98504-0002

Re: Request for Appointment of Patrick Oshie as Commissioner Pro Tempore

in UTC Docket UE-121373

Dear Governor Gregoire:

I hereby request the appointment of Patrick Oshie as a Commissioner Pro Tempore pursuant to RCW 80.01.035. I have talked today with Commissioner Philip B. Jones, and he has authorized me to make this request on his behalf as well.

Commissioner Oshie has announced his decision to leave his position as a member of the Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC) effective Sunday, January 6, 2013. He has heard all or a substantial part of the adjudicative proceeding in UTC Docket UE-121373, In the Matter of the Petition of Puget Sound Energy, Inc., for Approval of a Power Purchase Agreement for Acquisition of Coal Transition Power, and has assisted in the preparation of a final order in the case. However, the final order will not be complete and ready for signature until the week of January 7, 2013.

We request that pursuant to your authority under RCW 80.01.035, you appoint Patrick Oshie to serve as a Commission Pro Tempore for the sole purpose of completing and signing the final order in UTC Docket UE-121373.

Sincerelly

Chairman