

**EXHIBIT C (HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION AGREEMENT)**

AGREEMENT CONCERNING HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION  
IN DOCKET UE-230172  
BEFORE THE  
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

I, Brett Shearer, as

In-house counsel

In-house expert

Outside counsel

Outside expert

in this proceeding for Public Counsel (a party to this proceeding) hereby declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the following are true and correct:

- a. I am not now involved, and will not for a period of two years involve myself in, competitive decision making with respect to which the documents or information may be relevant, by or on behalf of any company or business organization that competes, or potentially competes, with the company or business organization from whom they seek disclosure of highly confidential information with respect to the development or purchase of electric resources;
- b. I have read and understand, and agree to be bound by, the terms of the Protective Order in this proceeding, including this Exhibit C of the Protective Order; and
- c. If I am in-house or outside counsel, I further agree to be responsible for any violations of the Protective Order that result from the conduct of administrative staff I allow to have access to Highly Confidential Information.

*Brett P. Shearer*

August 28, 2024

Signature

Date

Seattle, Washington

City/State where this Agreement was signed

Washington Attorney General's Office

Employer

Regulatory Analyst

Position and Responsibilities

800 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2000  
Seattle, WA 98104

Permanent Address

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The following portion is to be completed by the responding party and filed with the Commission within 10 days of receipt. Failure to do so will constitute a waiver and the above-named person will be deemed a person having access to Highly Confidential Information under the terms and conditions of the protective order.

\_\_\_\_\_ No objection.

\_\_\_\_\_ Objection. The responding party objects to the above-named person having access to Highly Confidential Information. The objecting party shall file a motion with the Commission, supported by an affidavit, setting forth the basis for objection and asking exclusion of the person from access to Highly Confidential Information.

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Signature

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Date