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**NOTICE SUSPENDING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE
AND
NOTICE CANCELING HEARING
(Set for October 15 and 16, 2013)**

RE: *Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Puget Sound Energy, Inc.*, Docket PG-111723

TO ALL PARTIES:

On March 1, 2013, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) brought a complaint against Puget Sound Energy, Inc. (PSE) following the Commission's investigation of a natural gas explosion and fire that injured two people and destroyed a house at 12312 5th Avenue N.E., in Seattle, Washington, on September 26, 2011. The Commission convened a prehearing conference in this docket on April 18, 2013, and adopted a procedural schedule for this proceeding in Order 01, including setting an evidentiary hearing for October 15 and 16, 2013.

On July 10, 2013, Commission Staff filed a letter with the Commission indicating that the parties had reached an agreement in principle that would resolve all issues in this docket. Staff indicates that it plans to file the settlement and supporting documents by July 24, 2013. Staff further requests that the Commission suspend the procedural schedule, pending Commission consideration and decision regarding the settlement.

The Commission finds good cause to suspend the procedural schedule and therefore grants the parties' request.

THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That the procedural schedule in this matter is suspended, and cancels the evidentiary hearing scheduled for October 15 and 16, 2013. By July 24, 2013, the parties must either file a settlement agreement and supporting narrative or a status report of their negotiations.

ADAM E. TOREM
Administrative Law Judge