EXH. MAC-2 DOCKETS UE-22__/UG-22_ 2022 PSE GENERAL RATE CASE WITNESS: MARK A. CARLSON

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, Complainant,

v.

Docket UE-22 Docket UG-22

PUGET SOUND ENERGY,

Respondent.

FIRST EXHIBIT (PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS) TO THE PREFILED DIRECT TESTIMONY OF

MARK A. CARLSON

ON BEHALF OF PUGET SOUND ENERGY

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- Q. Please state your name and business address.
- A. My name is Mark A. Carlson. My business address is Puget Sound Energy ("PSE"), P.O. Box 97034, Bellevue, Washington 98009-9734.
- Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?
- A. I am employed by PSE as Director Generation and Natural Gas Storage.
- Q. What are your duties as Director Generation and Natural Gas Storage?
- A. As Director Generation and Natural Gas Storage, I am responsible for financial and operational performance of PSE's southern thermal, hydro and wind generation, as well as two natural gas storage facilities. I manage a team consisting of plant managers, engineers, project managers and union staff, and engage with external stakeholders relating to PSE's generation portfolio and large-scale renewable energy assets.
- Q. Briefly describe your education and relevant employment experience.
- A. I earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemical Engineering from the
 University of Washington, and I obtained a Certificate of Utility Management
 from Willamette University. I have also completed various training courses,

including Reliability Engineering, Kepnor Tregoe Problem Solving, Leadership Development Network, and Noria Machinery Lubrication.

I served seven years in the U.S. Air Force in aircraft maintenance before I joined the Georgia-Pacific Corporation in 2002. I spent eleven years at Georgia-Pacific, progressing through several roles from Process Engineer, Technical Assistant in the Utilities Department, Reliability Engineer in the Tissues Department, to Optimizer in the Tissues Department, where I managed the operation of several high-speed tissue machines and assigned crew.

In 2013, I joined PSE as a Senior Engineer for the Mint Farm and Frederickson Generating Stations. I progressed at PSE to Plant Manager of Mint Farm, Goldendale, Frederickson 1, Frederickson, and Crystal Mountain generating facilities. In 2019, I was promoted to Manager - Generation Assets South, where I managed the Southern Generation fleet comprised of thermal, hydro, and wind technologies with a total output of approximately 1300 MWs. In 2020 I was promoted to my current position, Director Generation and Natural Gas Storage.