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Witness: John W. Wilson

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Complainant,

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v.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.

Respondent.

EXHIBIT TO TESTIMONY OF

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Comparable Companies

		Historic	·	
	Recent	Dividend	Projected Growth	
Company	Dividend Yield	Growth (10 yrs)	<u>Value Line</u>	IBES
Avista	2.9%	-8.9%	7.4%	4.0%
MDU	2.8%	4.1%	5.4%	9.0%
PNM	3.0%	6.4% ^{1\}	3.9%	5.0%
Puget	4.4%	-5.9%	2.3%	6.0%
Sierra Pacific	0	NMF	0	2.0%
Alliant	3.8%	-6.3%	3.0%	4.0%
Aquila	0	NMF	0	0
MGE	4.3%	1.3%	0.7%	NA
WPS	4.8%	2.1%	1.8%	6.0%
Wisconsin Energy	2.6%	-5.0%	4.6%	6.0%
Scana	3.8%	0.1%	5.2%	5.0%
TECO	5.7%	-2.2%	5.6%	4.0%
Average	3.18%	-1.43%	3.33%	4.64%
Adjusted Average ^{2/}	3.81%	2.8%	3.99%	5.1%

Adjusted D/P + g =
$$7.77\%$$
 (average)
6.6% (low)
8.9% (high)

 $[\]frac{11}{2}$ PNM dividend historic growth is for six years. Adjusted average excludes zero and negative values.