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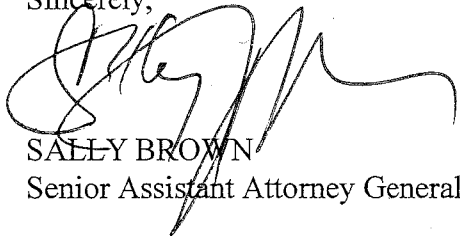
Steven V. King, Acting Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW
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RE: *In the Matter of the Petition of PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC., For Approval of a Power Purchase Agreement for Acquisition of Coal Transition Power, as Defined in RCW 80.80.010, and the Recovery of Related Acquisition Costs*
Docket UE-121373

Dear Mr. King:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket are the original and ten copies of Commission Staff's Motion for Second Extension of Time to File Answers to Puget Sound Energy's Petition for Reconsideration and Motion to Reopen the Record, and Certificate of Service.

Sincerely,



SALLY BROWN
Senior Assistant Attorney General

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Enclosures
cc: Parties



BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition of

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.,

For Approval of a Power Purchase Agreement for Acquisition of Coal Transition Power, as Defined in RCW 80.80.010, and the Recovery of Related Acquisition Costs

DOCKET UE-121373

MOTION FOR SECOND EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE ANSWERS TO PUGET SOUND ENERGY'S PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION AND MOTION TO REOPEN THE RECORD

1 The Staff of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission requests that the Commission extend the time for filing answers to the Petition for Reconsideration and Motion to Reopen the Record filed by Puget Sound Energy, Inc. (PSE) in Docket UE-121373, by 28 days, from March 8, 2013, to April 5, 2013. PSE has authorized Staff to represent its agreement with this request.

2 The standard applicable to Staff's request is contained in WAC 480-07-385(2):

The commission will grant a continuance if the requesting party demonstrates good cause for the continuance and the continuance will not prejudice any party or the commission. The commission will grant a timely request to which all parties expressly agree unless it is inconsistent with the public interest or the commission's administrative needs.

3 A continuance until April 5, 2013 will allow the parties additional time to endeavor to reach a resolution of not only the TransAlta Centralia power purchase agreement docket (Docket UE-121373), but also PSE's decoupling dockets (Dockets UE-121697 and UG-121705), as well as PSE's expedited rate filing (ERF) dockets (Dockets UE-130137 and

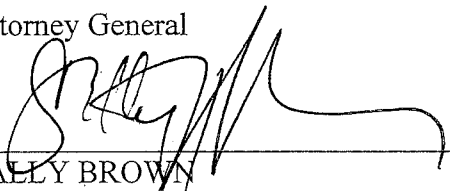
UG-130138)¹ The requested continuance should not prejudice any of the parties to this case. Furthermore, the requested extension of time is not inconsistent with the public interest or the Commission's administrative needs, particularly in light of PSE's agreement to extend the proposed effective date of the ERF tariffs to May 1, 2013. Indeed, the public interest would be served by a global resolution of the five dockets referenced above. Good cause, therefore, exists for the Commission to grant the requested extension of time.

4 For these reasons, the Motion for Extension of Time should be granted by the Commission.

DATED this 6th day of March 2013.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ See, In the Matter of the Petition of Puget Sound Energy, Inc. and NW Energy Coalition, for an Order Authorizing PSE to Implement Electric and Natural Gas Decoupling Mechanisms and to Record Accounting Entries Associated with the Mechanisms, Dockets UE-121697 and UG-121705; In the Matter of Puget Sound Energy, Inc.'s Expedited Rate Filing, Dockets UE-130137 and UG-130138.

Docket UE-121373
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the attached Motion for Extension of Time to File Answers to Puget Sound Energy's Petition for Reconsideration and Motion to Reopen the Record, upon the persons and entities listed on the Service List below via email and by depositing a copy of said document in the United States mail, addressed as shown on said Service List, with first class postage prepaid.

DATED at Olympia, Washington this 6th day of March 2013.


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