BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY

Respondent.

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JOINT MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE OF THE PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

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Pursuant to WAC 480-07-385, Commission Staff, Puget Sound Energy, Inc., and Public Counsel (collectively, "the Parties") jointly move for a continuance of the procedural schedule in the above-captioned matter. The reason for the continuance is to facilitate ongoing settlement discussions between the Parties, and avoid the time and expense associated with preparing testimony while those negotiations continue in earnest.

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Pursuant to 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.

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All parties have joined in this motion, and no parties will be prejudiced by a continuation of the procedural schedule. Staff has confirmed the availability on the Commission's calendar for the proposed new hearing date. A continuance to facilitate settlement negotiations between the Parties is in the public interest.

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The Parties propose the following modified procedural schedule:

PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE DOCKET U-111465

EVENT	ORIGINAL DATE	NEW DATE
Commission Staff and Public Counsel Prefiled Direct Testimony and Exhibits	June 1, 2012	June 22, 2012
Puget Sound Energy Prefiled Responsive Testimony and Exhibits	July 6, 2012	July 27, 2012
Commission Staff and Public Counsel Prefiled Rebuttal Testimony and Exhibits	August 3, 2012	August 24, 2012
Second Settlement Conference (parties only)	August 13, 2012	September 4, 2012
Evidentiary Hearing	September 11, 2012	September 25, 2012
Simultaneous Post-hearing Briefs	TBD, if necessary	TBD, if necessary

Thank you for your consideration.

DATED this 24th day of May, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

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