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BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY,

Respondent.

DOCKET UG-230393

PUYALLUP TRIBE OF INDIANS’
REQUEST FOR PAYMENT OF
ELIGIBLE EXPENSES

1. Pursuant to section 7.1(a–d) of the *Washington Interim Participatory Funding Agreement* (Interim Agreement)¹, the Puyallup Tribe of Indians (Tribe) hereby submits its Payment Request.

ITEMIZED EXPENSES

2. The Tribe is attaching as **Exhibit 1** its signed payment request form, which shows the full amount of the Tribe’s request of \$45,350. This amount is only a portion of the

¹ *In the Matter of the Petition of Puget Sound Energy, et al.*, Docket U-210595 Order 01 (February 24, 2022), Attachment A (Executed February 14, 2022).

1 Tribe's total expenses in this case. For ease of math, the Tribe is only requesting payment of
2 168 hours at \$270.00 per hour for part of one of its outside counsel attorneys' fees.

3 **JUSTIFICATION OF EXPENSES**

4 3. One of the Tribe's outside attorneys, Andrew Fuller from Ogden Murphy
5 Wallace, PLLC, spent 298.4 hours between July 3, 2023 and April 24, 2024, representing the
6 Puyallup Tribe's interests with regard to case issues concerning the Tacoma Liquefied Natural
7 Gas facility (Tacoma LNG), which is consistent with the Tribe's proposed budget.² That work
8 included, inter alia, document review, legal research, drafting filings in this case, and appearing
9 on behalf of the Tribe at hearing. All of Mr. Fuller's time qualifies as expenses eligible for
10 funding under a Fund Grant, as his time is "directly attributable to participation in the
11 proceeding."³

12 **COMPLIANCE WITH FUND GRANT**

13 4. The Commission approved the Tribe's Proposed Budget after considering
14 factors set forth in Section 6.5 of the Interim Agreement.⁴

15 5. The Commission also recognized that "[a]pproving the Puyallup Tribe's request
16 for intervenor funding would be consistent with the legislature's intent to encourage
17 participation from historically under-represented communities."⁵

18 6. The Tribe fully participated in this docket and provided a clear presentation of its
19 positions on the issues before the Commission.

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22 ² See *PTOI-Proposed Budget*, Docket UG-230393.

³ See *Interim Agreement* at Section 7.3(a).

23 ⁴ See, e.g., *WUTC v. PSE*, Docket UG-230393, Order 05 at ¶¶ 34, 38 (November 23, 2023).

⁵ *Id.* at ¶ 35.

1 **PAYMENT**

2 7. The Tribe respectfully requests final payment in full of the approved fund grant
3 amount of \$45,350. Payment should be made payable to The Puyallup Tribe of Indians. Payment
4 should be sent to Puyallup Tribe of Indians, Lisa A.H. Anderson, Law Office of the Puyallup Tribe,
5 3009 E. Portland Avenue, Tacoma, WA 98038.

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7 Signed this 7th day of June, 2024.

8 PUYALLUP TRIBE OF INDIANS

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16 **Attorneys for Intervenor Puyallup Tribe of Indians**

EXHIBIT 1 Form of Payment Request

CONFIDENTIAL EXHIBIT [X]				
REQUEST OF [PARTY] FOR PAYMENT OF [DOCKET NO.] FUND GRANT				
SUBMITTED TO THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES & TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AND [UTILITY]				
Eligible Expenses Billed [MONTH/DATE - MONTH/DATE]		[DOCKET NO.] UG-230393		
	Rate	Hours	Cost	TOTAL
(a) Actual attorney fees directly attributable to participation in proceeding				
(1) [ATTORNEY] Senior Associate Attorney Andrew Fuller	\$270/hr	168	\$45,350	\$45,350
(2) [ATTORNEY]				
(3) [PARALEGAL]				
(4) [LEGAL ASSISTANT]				
[LAW FIRM] Total				
(b) Expert witness fees				
1) [Expert Consultant]				
2) [Expert Consultant]				
20% Discount				
Expert Total				
(c) Apportioned wages for in-house staff directly related to participation				
(1) Not Applicable				
(d) Cost of preparing & copying studies, discovery materials and filings				
(e) Travel costs directly related to participation in the proceeding				
(f) Costs of studies, supplies directly related to the proceeding; fees, transcripts				
(g) Cost of participation in workshops, informal WUTC activities prior to proceeding				
(h) Costs for outreach to vulnerable populations and highly impacted communities				
Total of Eligible Expenses Billed From [MONTH/YEAR] through [MONTH/YEAR]				
In-House Resources or Outside Funding Used for Eligible Expenses				
Amount of Fund Grant Budget			Approved up to \$	45,350
Amount of This Request for Payment				\$45,350
Amount Remaining in [Docket No.] Fund Grant After this Request for Payment (if request is for Interim Funding by a Prioritized Organization)				
Certification of Authorized Officer for [Party]:				
All of the above expenses are reasonable and were directly attributable to [Party's] participation in representing the interests of [Party] in [Docket No.].				
Except to the extent they qualify as Eligible Expenses under (h), above, none of the above expenses are expenses for general operations, overhead, membership recruitment, fundraising or communications with members.				
[Party] declares that this is (choose one):				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (A) A final request for payment under this Approved Fund Grant, for the full amount of the Approved Fund Grant.				
<input type="checkbox"/> (B) A final request for all payments under this Approved Fund Grant which, combined with any previous requests for payment, is less than the amount of the Approved Issue Fund Grant.				
<input type="checkbox"/> (C) A request by a Prioritized Organization for interim funding and the remainder of the Approved Fund Grant should be reserved pending further requests for payment.				
[Party] has satisfied any other conditions for this Approved Fund Grant as set forth in the Funding Agreement: .				
[Date] 6/7/2024				
				
[Party's Authorized Officer]				