IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR PUGET SOUND ENERGY CUSTOMERS ABOUT PROPOSED RATE CHANGES

Puget Sound Energy on Aug. 30, 2010 filed a request with the Utilities and Transportation Commission to change natural gas and electric rates effective Oct. 1, 2010. The proposed changes are described below:

Low-income program

PSE has asked the UTC to increase electric rates by an overall average of 0.01 percent, or 1/100th of 1 percent, and increase natural gas rates by an overall average of 0.03 percent, or 3/100th of 1 percent, to cover changes in costs for PSE's low-income customer assistance program.

Electric—For households using an average of 1,000 kilowatt hours (kWh) of electricity per month, the bill would increase by 4 cents per month, bringing the total monthly average electric bill to \$99.68 under this request. The proposed changes for residential, commercial and industrial customers are:

Schedule 7 (residential)	
Schedule 24	0.0035 cents per kWh (increase)
Schedule 25	0.0034 cents per kWh (decrease)
Schedule 26	0.0064 cents per kWh (decrease)
Schedule 29	0.0005 cents per kWh (increase)
Schedule 31	0.0063 cents per kWh (decrease)
Schedule 35	0.0015 cents per kWh (decrease)
Schedule 43	0.0098 cents per kWh (decrease)
Schedule 449 (primary voltage)	0.0028 cents per kWh (decrease)
Schedule 40	0.0005 cents per kWh (decrease)
Schedules 46, 49 and 449/459 (high voltage)	0.0008 cents per kWh (decrease)
Schedules 50–59 (lighting)	0.0055 cents per kWh (increase)

Natural gas—For households using an average of 68 therms of natural gas per month, the bill would increase by 3 cents per month, bringing the total monthly average natural gas bill to \$81.35 under this request. The proposed increases for residential, commercial and industrial customers are:

Schedules 23 and 53 (residential)	0.047 cents per therm
Schedule 31	
Schedules 41 and 41T	0.020 cents per therm
Schedules 85 and 85T	
Schedule 86	
Schedules 87 and 87T	

The UTC has the authority to set final rates that may vary from PSE's request, either higher or lower or structured differently, depending on the results of its analysis. PSE bills all natural gas and most electric customers every month, some electric customers are billed every other month.

PSE customers may submit comments to the UTC about this proposed filing by using the online comment form at www.utc.wa.gov/comment, e-mailing at comments@utc.wa.gov, faxing at 360-664-4291or mailing your comments to the UTC at: P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA, 98504-7250. If you write, include your name and mailing address, and the name of the company (PSE) and Advice No. 2010-19 for electric and Advice No. 2010-20 for natural gas.

The public, including residential and small business customers, is represented by the Public Counsel Section of the Washington Attorney General's Office. You can reach the Public Counsel Section by writing to: Public Counsel, Assistant Attorney General, 800 5th Avenue, Suite 2000, Seattle, WA 98104-3188, or by e-mail at utility@atg.wa.gov.

If you have questions or comments for PSE about these proposals, you may submit them by writing to Puget Sound Energy: ATTN: Customer Service, P.O. Box 90868, Bellevue, WA 98009-0868; by e-mail at customercare@pse.com; or by telephone at 1-888-225-5773. Additional information about the filings is available at PSE.com.

