BEFORE THE

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Complainant, v.) DOCKET NOS. UE-180899 & UG-180900 (Consolidated)
PUGET SOUND ENERGY, Respondent.)))

NUCOR STEEL SEATTLE, INC. STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF SETTLEMENT STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT

Pursuant to WAC 480-07-740(3), Nucor Steel Seattle, Inc. ("Nucor") submits the following statement in support of the Settlement Stipulation and Agreement filed in the above-referenced proceeding before the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission ("Commission"):

- 1. On November 7, 2018, Puget Sound Energy, Inc. ("PSE") filed revisions to its currently effective tariff applicable *inter alia* to natural gas service provided to customers in the state of Washington.
- 2. Nucor owns and operates a steel mill in Seattle, Washington, and takes natural gas transportation service from PSE.
- 3. On November 26, 2018, Nucor filed a Petition to Intervene in this proceeding, which the Commission granted by Order 03 issued November 30, 2018.¹

¹ The Commission consolidated Dockets UE-180899 and UG-180900 for hearing by Order 01, entered on November 15, 2018.

4. A multiparty settlement has been reached in this proceeding, and the resultant Settlement Stipulation and Agreement ("Settlement"), to which Nucor is a signatory, along with all supporting documentation, is being contemporaneously filed in this proceeding pursuant to the Commission's Order 04 issued January 22, 2019.

5. Nucor believes the natural gas revenue increase agreed to by the parties to the Settlement meets all legal requirements and is in the public interest. In particular, Nucor supports the negotiated aspect of the Settlement that rate increases for the individual Schedules 31, 31T, 41, 41T, 61, 85, 85T, 86, 86T, 87, and 87T be limited to 2.90 percent, as reflected in Attachment A to the Settlement, and encourages the Commission to find same to be just and reasonable.

WHEREFORE, Nucor respectfully requests that the Commission consider Nucor's statement in support of the Settlement and approve said Settlement as a full and final resolution of all contested issues between the parties to this proceeding.

DATED this 30th day of January, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

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