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WASHINGTON UTILITIES and TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION	1 TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 2021; REMOTE, WASHINGTON
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PUGET SOUND ENERGY	3 DAVID DANNER: Good evening, everyone. And
Docket UE-200980	4 thank you for participating in our hearing tonight. We
	5 are here in for the meeting of the Utilities and
PUBLIC COMMENT HEARING	6 Transportation Commission. Today is Tuesday, April 20,
VOLUME II	7 2021.
APRIL 20, 2021, 6:00 p.m.	8 We are here today to hear public testimony on a
Pages 16-50	9 settlement stipulation and agreement filed by parties
	in Docket UE-200980, which is a power-cost-only rate
	11 case filed by Puget Sound Energy to update its power
	12 costs.
	13 And I am joined today I'm Dave Danner. I'm
	14 Chair of the Commission. I'm joined this evening by my
	15 colleagues Commissioner Ann Rendahl and Commissioner
	16 Jay Balasbas.
	17 What I would like to do before we begin taking 18 public comment, I would like to turn it over to Andrew
	19 Roberts of Commission staff who will give us an
	20 overview of the case that is before us tonight. And
TAKEN BEFORE: JAMIE BOOKER, RPR, CCR NO. 3681	then we will need to swear you all in and then take
TAKEN BETOKE. JAINIE BOOKER, KFR, COK NO. 3001	22 take your comments.
	23 We have several people who signed in, in advance
	24 of the hearing. We will take their testimony first,
	and then we will find out who else has signed in
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2	settlement is allowed to go into effect, an average	2	Anyone with the last name A through F, if you'd
3	residential electric customer's bill will increase by	3	like to speak, please unmute and provide us your name.
4	about 2.9 percent. A residential customer using 900	4	RACHEL BROMBAUGH: Hi, this is Rachel
5	kilowatt hours could see an increase of about \$2.73 for	5	Brombaugh from King County. I would like to provide
6	a monthly bill total of \$98.30.	6	comment.
7	The UTC will hold an evidentiary hearing on	7	ANDREW ROBERTS: Okay. Could you spell your
8	April 22nd.	8	last name for me?
9	This evening you'll have the opportunity to	9	THE WITNESS: B as in boy
10	provide comment to the Commissioners pertaining to this	10	r-o-m-b-a-u-g-h. It's also in the chat.
11	rate case.	11	ANDREW ROBERTS: Great. Thank you.
12	The Commissioners act as judges in formal	12	Anyone else with the last name A through F?
13	proceedings like this and cannot answer questions. If	13	ANDY ADO: Yes. This is Ado. Spelling of
14	you have questions, please email comments@UTC.wa.gov or	14	alpha-d-o. I'm getting ready to say Ado. D-o.
15	call (888)333-9882 and ask to speak with me, Andrew	15	ANDREW ROBERTS: Great. Thank you.
16	Roberts.	16	ANDY ADO: And I do I do have a question
17	Now for some meeting logistics:	17	or comment.
18	We ask that everyone please mute your computer	18	ANDREW ROBERTS: Okay. So we can't answer
19	microphone or telephone unless you're called upon to	19	questions this evening, but you can email
20	speak.	20	comments@UTC.wa.gov, and I'd be happy to answer any
21	If you called in through Teams, mute your	21	questions you might have.
22	connection by clicking the microphone at the top right	22	Anyone else with a last name A through F? Okay.
23	of the Teams screen. A slash will appear across the	23	Last names G through J? Anyone with the last name
24	microphone. This indicates that you have successfully	24	G through J who wishes to comment tonight? Okay.
25	muted your connection. To unmute, simply click the	25	How about K through O? K through O?
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1	microphone. The slash will disappear. Please remember	1	Anyone with the last name beginning P through T
2	to mute your connection after you are done speaking.	2	who would like to comment tonight?
3	If you called in on the phone, press star 6 on	3	ADAM TORRES: Yes.
4	your phone to mute yourself. When you are called on to	4	ANDREW ROBERTS: Okay. Can I get your name,
5	speak, press star 6 to unmute yourself and, after	5	please.
6	you're done speaking, please press star 6 again to	6	ADAM TORRES: Adam Torres.
7	remute.	7	ANDREW ROBERTS: Can you spell your last name
8	Please wait to be called on for comment, and do	8	for me.
9	not interrupt other speakers.	9	ADAM TORRES: T-o-r-r-e-s.
10	The use of video isn't required. If you do wish	10	CAMI KEYES: And after Adam, I'm a K. I just
11	to use video, please help us save some bandwidth and	11	couldn't get unmuted quick enough.
12	only use video while you are speaking.	12	ANDREW ROBERTS: Oh, okay. Could I get your
13	There are two options to report technical	13	name, please.
14	difficulties, if you encounter them. The first is to	14	CAMI KEYES: Cami, C-a-m-i, Keyes, K-e-y-e-s.
		15	ANDREW ROBERTS: Thank you.
15	use the chat feature in Microsoft Teams. The second is	1 13	ANDREW ROBERTS. Thank you.
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1	Balasbas.	1	paying its CEOs millions of dollars every year, takes
2	DAVID DANNER: All right. Thank you, Andrew.	2	in over \$100 million every month just from the
3	All right. So we have several people signed up to	3	residential electric customers alone, and took in
4	speak tonight. Let's in the interest of time, for	4	almost 3-and-a-half billion dollars in energy revenue
5	those who do wish to speak tonight, I need to swear you	5	two years ago, and paid out over \$64 million in
6	in.	6	dividends to five foreign countries. I would call this
7	So I see Ms. Keyes has walked away from her desk.	7	more than a fair return.
8	But for the rest of us oh, there she is we need	8	In contrast, most people I know have to wear their
9	to swear you in. So if everybody would please raise	9	winter coats in their houses during the winter to stay
10	your right hand.	10	warm because they can't afford to pay higher electric
11	Do you swear to tell the truth, the whole truth,	11	bills. Tell that to the CEOs who get paid millions of
12	and nothing but the truth?	12	dollars every year in bonuses, et cetera. What sense
13	Say "I do"? All right. Thank you very much.	13	does it make? None.
14	All right. So we'll we are ready then to start	14	Puget Sound Energy has turned into a
15	taking public comments.	15	profit-churning machine. It has joined the ranks of
16	James Parham, are you on the line? James Parham?	16	what I call Corporate America: Profits at all cost.
17	All right. We will come back to you.	17	The UTC treats Puget Sound Energy like it's two
18	Cindy Kisska, are you on the line?	18	separate companies the one that services its
19	CINDY KISSKA: Hello?	19	customers and the one that services its shareholders.
20	DAVID DANNER: Cindy Kisska?	20	The latter are very wealthy, while the incomes of the
21	CINDY KISSKA: Yes.	21	major majority of Puget Sound Energy customers are most
22	DAVID DANNER: Yes. Please, if you have	22	likely lower middle class and poverty level.
23	comments, we're ready to receive them.	23	We shouldn't have to pay for an overly top-heavy
24	CINDY KISSKA: Okay. Very good.	24	utility company with way too much money floating around
25	My name is Cindy Kisska. I live in Birch Bay,	25	at the top.
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1	and Commissioners Rendahl and Balasbas for the	1	of any Green Direct customers.
2	opportunity to come comment this evening.	2	At King County, we do not have staff capacity to
3	My name is Rachel Brombaugh, and I am the Director	3	follow every rate proceeding much less intervene;
4	of Climate and Energy Initiatives at King County. I am	4	although, we may want to reconsider that.
5	speaking to oppose the portion of the joint settlement	5	As the largest customer, timely notice from either
6	for Docket 200980 that is relevant to Green Direct.	6	the UTC or PSE would have been appreciated. We were
7	The change in the calculation methodology for the	7	first made aware of these negotiations on March 22,
8	energy-charge credit in the Green Direct program will	8	only eleven days prior to the settlement date when PSE
9	have a significant deleterious effect to the financial	9	staff reached out. Many other subscribers that I've
10	performance of Green Direct for King County.	10	talked to were not aware of the changes until we
11	We have projected very modest financial benefits	11	informed them this past week.
12	from Green Direct but now anticipate significant	12	So I encourage the Commissioners to reject the
13	additional costs for electric that we had not budgeted	13	settlement and give Green Direct customers and their
14	for. This will take funding away from other County	14	technical staff or consultants an opportunity to better
15	services which are in strong demand as we continue to	15	understand the changes and to provide input.
16	address COVID and concomitant economic impacts.	16	Thank you again for the opportunity to comment.
17	We anticipated some level of rate adjustment from	17	DAVID DANNER: Thank you very much for your
18	the fluctuation in power prices and were comfortable	18	comments. I appreciate it.
19	with that risk but did not anticipate that the	19	All right. Andy Ado, are you on the line, sir?
20	calculation methodology itself would be changed.	20	ANDY ADO: Yes. I think I don't have comment
21	We understand from John Piliarus' testimony in	21	at this time, but thank you for the for calling my
22	support of the multiparty settlement that parties	22	name. I'd like to withdraw my comments.
23	reserved the right to reevaluate the rate methodology	23	DAVID DANNER: I'm sorry. I I'm having
24	in future proceedings.	24	trouble hearing you.
25	PSE staff tell me that they are interesting in	25	ANDY ADO: I said I don't have any comment at
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1	convening a stakeholder meeting in the summer to	1	this time, and I'd like
2	discuss Green Direct. But should this settlement be	2	DAVID DANNER: Okay.
3	approved, the change in calculation methodology and	3	ANDY ADO: to withdraw my comment. Thank
4	precedent for change without customer input will have	4	you.
5	already been made.	5	DAVID DANNER: Thank you very much.
6	I have deep respect for the staff of the UTC with	6	Adam Torres.
7	whom I have worked with on many complicated and highly	7	ADAM TORRES: Yes, Chair.
8	technical issues over the past couple years.	8	DAVID DANNER: Go ahead.
9	I am frankly astonished that staff could have made	9	ADAM TORRES: You know, come from the veteran
10	such an error five years ago when the program was first	10	side of the family of of Washington state. I've
11	developed that now only six months into operation	11	been here for 20 years, moved multiple times, and seen
12	has been discovered. This erodes the credibility of	12	influx and increase in the rates that we consume.
13	the UTC.	13	My my biggest question is why did this outline
14	We, King County and other subscribers, would like	14	of charitable profits that are being requested by the
15	a clear explanation of the charges, the rationale	15	clients of PSE, why hasn't that been fronted earlier
16	behind it, and how the parties agreed it to.	16	and provided for us, the customer?
17	While we are happy to pay for the cost of green	17	This seems very, very captivating that this has
18	energy, we do we want to ensure that we are not	18	come through so fast as far as being notified of this
19	disproportionately bearing the costs of the transition	19	meeting. I believe it was March, as well, that I had
20	to clean energy.	20	got an email about this. So I'm just here to speak for
21	I'll talk a little bit about process. While I	21	the portion that I I can speak for.
22	understand that proceedings and intervenors must	22	Where's this money going? Why is it a
23	proceed with confidentiality, King County, who is the	23	three-percent increase? And who's compensating or
24	largest subscriber to Green Direct is very frustrated	24	receiving the what was it 78 million in revenue
25	that the settlement was made without the participation	25	that would be increased or raised or accumulated from
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1	this this project that's supposed to be going on?	1	because I saw a small advertisement in the Seattle		
2	I'm just curious myself as to as to why the	2	Times. And I thought that this was absolutely not an		
3	planning of this has been so secretive.	3	appropriate way to notify the community, first off, in		
4	DAVID DANNER: All right. Thank you.	4	today's day and age where fewer take the paper. And,		
5	So the questions you're asking generally, a	5	second, we should all have an opportunity to be able to		
6			public comment hearing, the Commission doesn't engage 6	6	speak out against this or speak for it, if that is the
7	in discussion or take the comments.	7	case. And I didn't feel that the notification was		
8	However, I want to make I want to introduce	8	appropriate to the public to be able to have an		
9	Public Counsel. The Public Counsel's Office in the	9	opportunity to speak or to write in or to whatever.		
10	Attorney General's Office represents the interests of	10	And I believe that my comments were read to the		
11	rate payers in our proceedings.	11	board at that time. I'm glad that we have this second		
12	I'd like to ask if Public Counsel is on the call	12	opportunity as I wasn't able to attend that first		
13	and if they would put themselves on video to introduce	13	meeting.		
14	themselves.	14	And I did a lot to help promote this in my own		
15	LISA GAFKEN: Good evening, Chair Danner.	15	area and hope that some of the people here tonight are		
16	This is Lisa Gafken, the Public Counsel Unit Chief.	16	as a result of that.		
17	And Public Counsel does operate as a statutory	17	I can tell you on Next Door, there wasn't a single		
18	representative of residential and small business	18	person who had something positive to say about the rate		
19	customers.	19	increase because this is all a very difficult time.		
20	I'll also offer should you know, usually when	20	I am a disabled single woman, disabled from		
21	we're in person, we're able to chat after the hearing.	21	cancer, who literally sold her home because she could		
22	I want to provide an email address if any of the	22	no longer afford to heat it by herself.		
23	commenters tonight wish to follow up after the meeting.	23	I moved into a condominium which is more		
24	And that email address is utilities@atg.wa.gov. So	24	reasonable to heat, but my expenses have gone up		
25	utilities@atg.wa.gov.	25	considerably due to COVID, as I think we can say our		
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1	They can email questions to that email address,	1	communities at large have city governments, County		
2	and we'll respond.	2	governments, State governments, individual households,		
3	DAVID DANNER: All right. Thank you for	3	and companies. And I have no doubt that PSE has had		
4	that.	4	some increases in expenses as well.		
5	So I apologize, Mr. Torres, that I can't engage	5	However, as a public, we seem to be and pardon		
6	your questions, but I want to make clear that	6	my language screwed either way if we conserve, as		
7	Ms. Gafken at the Public Counsel's Office is a resource	7	we're advised to, or go green, as we're advised to,		
8	for those questions and for all commenters tonight.	8	because, when we stop using electricity, they get to		
9	Thank you, Mr. Torres, for your comments tonight.	9	increase their rates.		
10	And thank you, Ms. Gafken, for being on the line.	10	Why don't they get to cut back if they're not		
11	ADAM TORRES: I appreciate it.	11	needing as much electricity? Why aren't they cutting		
12	DAVID DANNER: Thank you.	12	back on management? Why aren't they cutting back on		
13	All right. Cami Keyes, I know you're on the line.	13	management bonuses? Why aren't they cutting back on		
14	I can see you. Go ahead.	14	dividends to their investors? Why does it always have		
15	You're on mute.	15	to fall on the back of the consumer to support a public		
16	CAMI KEYES: Lagging a bit. Unmute. There	16	utility that is a publicly traded company?		
17	we go. Okay, can you hear me now?	17	I have worked for nonprofit organizations that		
18	DAVID DANNER: Yes. Speak up a little bit.	18	well, I'm going to back up here a little bit.		
19	You're a little faint.	19	You are basing the utility's need to increase		
20	CAMI KEYES: Famous words from the Zoom days	20	rates based on the information that they provide you on		
21	and Teams days.	21	their expenses and costs. Some of them no doubt have		
22	So my name is Cami Keyes. I'm a Redmond resident.	22	gone up new agreements that they're having with the		
23	I've been a PSE customer since 1997, and I have	23	regional electrical supplies. But, for the consumer,		
24	consistently seen the rates go up over and over again.	24	it feels like the company needs to take a little bit of		
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25	I actually wrote in early about this rate increase	25	the hit, this time especially.		

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1	It is a time that is unprecedented in our country,	1	have signed in. I see there are a lot of people who
2	and people are stuck at home either because they're	2	have joined us more recently so let me ask is there
3	having to work from home or because they don't have	3	anybody on the line who wishes to speak who hasn't
4	work.	4	spoken yet? And I'm going to go through the alphabet
5	We don't have the opportunity to sit in a freezing	5	so that we can do this in an orderly fashion.
6	cold home. I keep my home very cold because that's	6	Is there anyone whose last name begins A through E
7	what's inexpensive. I have the option of being	7	who has not spoken yet and wishes to speak tonight?
8	somewhat insulated, but other people don't. And this	8	All right. Is there anyone with the last name
9	is a really difficult time and an inappropriate time,	9	that begins F through H who wishes to speak tonight?
10	in my opinion, for a utility to come forward and ask	10	Okay. Anyone whose last name begins I through L?
11	for a rate increase.	11	CINDY KISSKA: Hello.
12	I'm sorry. Companies across the board have had	12	DAVID DANNER: Hello.
13	increased expenses. Management have taken cuts.	13	CINDY KISSKA: Yes. This is Cindy Kisska.
14	Employees have had to take cuts. Where is PSE in this?	14	And I did speak, but there was one thing I left out
15	Why aren't they also contributing to the cost, the	15	because I didn't think I had time. So I'm wondering
16	increased cost that they are experiencing?	16	if it's just one short paragraph.
17	I have worked for nonprofit organizations that, in	17	DAVID DANNER: Well, Ms. Kisska, let's
18	general, most of them are very good. But some of them	18	let's hold that. I'll come back to you. But I want to
19	at the end of year will raise bonuses or raise salaries	19	give other people a chance to speak too.
20	because they have too much money left over. And how do	20	CINDY KISSKA: Okay. No problem.
21	we know that PSE is not doing this? Who's looking	21	DAVID DANNER: If that's all right.
22	after their reporting to make sure that it's accurate?	22	CINDY KISSKA: Thank you very much. Okay.
23	Who's looking after these increases in contracts to	23	Thank you very
24	make sure that it actually reflects the increase that	24	DAVID DANNER: Yeah. People want to speak.
25	they're asking for?	25	CINDY KISSKA: Okay. Very good. Thank you.
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3	All right. So I just want to be clear that there	3	And so, Ms. Kisska, Ms. Gafken and/or Public
4	is no one else on the line on the phone tonight who	4	Counsel Office can can answer the question that you
5	wishes to speak.	5	have. And I
6 All right. Apparently so.		6	CINDY KISSKA: It was more of a statement
7 Ms. Kisska, please go ahead.			sir, it was also a statement that, you know, was an
8	CINDY KISSKA: Okay. So somewhere I read	8	order of that Puget Sound Energy supposed to share
9	online, and I quote, Puget Sound Energy is currently	9	its excess earnings with its customers. That was
10	subject to the Washington Commission order that	10	really the point I was trying to make out say to
11	requires Puget Sound Energy to share its excess	11	everybody.
12	earnings above the authorized rate of return of	12	DAVID DANNER: Yes. And that
13	7.39 percent with its customers.	13	CINDY KISSKA: That was an order. Right? It
14	In other words, the Washington Commission ordered	14	was ordered by the UTC.
15	Puget Sound Energy to share its excess earnings with	15	DAVID DANNER: So
16	its customers. As far as I know, this never took	16	CINDY KISSKA: You know, it is I'm
17	place. Here's an order to Puget Sound Energy from the	17	wondering why it never happened, but I'm also making
18	UT itself, but UT itself, I think, never enforced it.	18	that statement, that that was, you know, I believe a
19	Has and then I say, has Puget Sound Energy	19	fact.
20	become such a powerful company that everyone, including	20	DAVID DANNER: Well, I
21	the UTC, is afraid to stand up to them?	21	CINDY KISSKA: Yeah.
22	DAVID DANNER: All right. Thank you. Is	22	DAVID DANNER: will say that there is
23	that all?	23	ves. We did issue an order that said that.
24	CINDY KISSKA: Yes. That was it, sir.	24	CINDY KISSKA: Uh-huh.
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2	COMMISSIONER RENDAHL: This is Commissioner	2 CERTIFICATE 3
3	Rendahl, and I want just want to thank those who called	3 I, JAMIE BOOKER, A CERTIFIED COURT REPORTER IN AND
4	in or appeared tonight and gave us your comments. We	FOR THE STATE OF WASHINGTON, RESIDING AT TACOMA, DO HEREBY
5	very much appreciate it.	5 CERTIFY; 6 THAT THE FOREGOING PROCEEDINGS WERE TAKEN BEFORE
6	CINDY KISSKA: Hello?	6 THAT THE FOREGOING PROCEEDINGS WERE TAKEN BEFORE ME AND THEREAFTER REDUCED TO A TYPED FORMAT UNDER MY
7	DAVID DANNER: All right. And	7 DIRECTION; THAT THE TRANSCRIPT IS A FULL, TRUE AND COMPLETE
8	CINDY KISSKA: Sir, excuse me. I missed	TRANSCRIPT OF SAID PROCEEDINGS CONSISTING OF PAGES 1 THROUGH
9	because I was there was a muting and unmuting and so	8 32; 9 THAT, AS A CCR IN THIS STATE, I AM BOUND BY THE
10	I missed what you said about the evidentiary hearing on	RULES OF CONDUCT AS CODIFIED IN WAC 308-14-130; THAT COURT
11	Thursday. What did you say just after you said	10 REPORTING ARRANGEMENTS AND FEES IN THIS CASE ARE OFFERED TO
12	Thursday?	ALL PARTIES ON EQUAL TERMS.
13	DAVID DANNER: So this I'm saying we so	THAT I AM NOT A RELATIVE, EMPLOYEE, ATTORNEY OR
14	the settlement comes before the UTC for a hearing.	12 COUNSEL OF ANY PARTY TO THIS ACTION, OR RELATIVE OR EMPLOYEE
15	CINDY KISSKA: Uh-huh.	OF ANY SUCH ATTORNEY OR COUNSEL, AND I AM NOT FINANCIALLY  13 INTERESTED IN THE SAID ACTION OR THE OUTCOME THEREOF;
16	DAVID DANNER: And these are the party the	14 THAT UPON COMPLETION OF SIGNATURE, IF REQUIRED,
17	formal parties to the case will present the settlement	THE ORIGINAL TRANSCRIPT WILL BE SECURELY SEALED AND THE SAME
18	to us, and then we will take it under advisement.	15 SERVED UPON THE APPROPRIATE PARTY. 16 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND
19	But I wanted to say that that's not an opportunity	17 THIS 27TH DAY OF APRIL 2021.
20	for us to receive further public comment. But I wanted	18
21	to make clear that the public comments that we receive	19
22	tonight and the written comments that we have received	20
23	will all be made part of the record and are part of our	22
24	determination going forward.	23
25	CINDY KISSKA: Okay. Very good.	24 25
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1	DAVID DANNER: That's what I'm clarifying.	
2	CINDY KISSKA: Okay. Very good. Thank you.	
3	DAVID DANNER: Thank you. If there's nothing	
4	coming before the Commission then, we are adjourned.	
5	And thank you, everyone, for your participation	
6	tonight.	
7	Good night.	
8	CINDY KISSKA: Thank you. Good night.	
9	ANDREW ROBERTS: Thank you very much.	
10	(Hearing concluded at 6:41 p.m.)	
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