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## NOTICE REQUIRING STATUS REPORT (Due by 5 p.m., Thursday, August 20, 2020)

RE: In the Matter of the Application of Puget Sound Energy for an Order Authorizing the Sale of All of Puget Sound Energy's Interests in Colstrip Unit 4 and Certain of Puget Sound Energy's Interests in the Colstrip Transmission System

Docket UE-200115

## TO PUGET SOUND ENERGY:

On February 19, 2020, Puget Sound Energy (PSE or Company) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) an Application for an Order Authorizing the Sale of All of PSE's Interests in Colstrip Unit 4 and Certain of PSE's Interests in the Colstrip Transmission System (Application).

On March 23, 2020, the Commission entered Order 02, Prehearing Conference Order, which, among other things, established a procedural schedule in this matter.

On May 28, 2020, PSE filed with the Commission a notice that it intends to file a supplemental application and supporting testimony as a result of an anticipated change in the terms of the proposed transactions pursuant to Talen Montana, LLC, (Talen) exercising its right of first refusal under the Ownership and Operation Agreement for Colstrip Units 3 & 4.

On July 6, 2020, the Commission convened a status conference to discuss PSE's intent to file a supplemental application and whether any changes to the procedural schedule were warranted. During the status conference, PSE explained that its supplemental application filing had been delayed by ongoing negotiations between Talen and NorthWestern Corporation (NorthWestern Energy), which are outside its control. Nevertheless, PSE stated that it anticipated being able to file its supplemental application soon.

On July 9, 2020, the Commission issued a Notice Suspending Procedural Schedule, determining that setting a deadline for PSE to file its supplemental application would be

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futile because the filing was delayed due to circumstances beyond its control. The Commission thus determined it was appropriate under the circumstances to suspend the procedural schedule until such time that PSE files its supplemental application, which was unofficially expected by July 22, 2020.

The Commission has yet to receive PSE's supplemental application. Accordingly, the Commission requires PSE to file a brief report describing the status of its supplemental application by Thursday, August 20, 2020.

THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE That PSE must file a report describing the status of its supplemental application no later than 5 p.m., Thursday, August 20, 2020.

/s/ Andrew J. O'CONNELL Administrative Law Judge