

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Joint Application  
of

PUGET HOLDINGS LLC

and

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.

For an Order Authorizing Proposed  
Transaction.

DOCKET NO. U-072375

MOTION FOR PERMISSION TO  
REPLY TO OPPOSITION OF  
JOINT APPLICANTS AND  
RESPONSE BY COMMISSION  
STAFF TO PUBLIC COUNSEL  
MOTION CHALLENGING  
CONFIDENTIALITY

Public Counsel files this motion for permission to reply to two documents filed with the Commission in this docket on September 8, 2008: (1) Opposition of Puget Holdings, LLC and Puget Sound Energy, Inc. To Public Counsel Motion Challenging the Confidentiality of Certain Materials Provided in Discovery by Joint Applicants; and (2) Response By Commission Staff To Public Counsel's Motion Challenging the Confidentiality of Certain Materials Provided in Discovery by Joint Applicants.<sup>1</sup>

These two documents raise new issues and arguments not addressed in Public Counsel's original motion challenging confidentiality. Public Counsel has included as Attachment A to this motion a proposed reply to this motion in which it addresses these specific issues and arguments.

DATED this 15th day of September, 2008.

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<sup>1</sup> While WAC 480-07-375 does not specifically address replies to responses to written motions, the rule governing pleading practice allows parties to seek permission from the Commission within five (5) business days to reply to an answer to a written pleading. *See* WAC 480-07-370(d).