

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

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 Colstrip
Transmission System

DOCKET UE-200115

PUBLIC COUNSEL'S RESPONSE
TO THE NORTHERN CHEYENNE
TRIBE'S PETITION TO
INTERVENE

Pursuant to the Utilities and Transportation Commission's Notice of Opportunity to Respond to Late-Filed Petition to Intervene dated August 26, 2020, Public Counsel respectfully submits the following response.

The Commission suspended the procedural schedule in this case on July 9, 2020, in anticipation of Puget Sound Energy's (PSE) supplemental application. PSE filed its supplemental application on August 20, 2020, shortly before the Northern Cheyenne Tribe filed its Petition to Intervene. Given that response testimony has not yet been filed and the Commission must set a new procedural schedule, allowing the Northern Cheyenne Tribe to intervene will not likely delay the proceeding. Additionally, the Northern Cheyenne Tribe states that they do not seek to broaden the issues in the proceeding. For these reasons, Public Counsel has no objection to the Petition to Intervene.

Dated this 4th day of September, 2020.

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