

EXHIBIT NO. ___(JAH-28)
DOCKET NO. UG-040640, *et al.* (consolidated)
2004 PSE GENERAL RATE CASE
WITNESS: JAMES A. HEIDELL

BEFORE THE
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.,

Respondent.

Docket No. UG-040640
Docket No. UE-040641
(*consolidated*)

In the Matter of the Petition of

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.

For an Order Regarding the Accounting
Treatment for Certain Costs of the Company's
Power Cost Only Rate Filing.

Docket No. UE-031471 (*consolidated*)

In the Matter of the Petition of

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.

For an Accounting Order Authorizing
Deferral and Recovery of the Investment
and Costs Related to the White River
Hydroelectric Project.

Docket No. UE-032043 (*consolidated*)

FOURTEENTH EXHIBIT TO THE
PREFILED REBUTTAL TESTIMONY OF
JAMES A. HEIDELL (NONCONFIDENTIAL)
ON BEHALF OF PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.

NOVEMBER 3, 2004

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

**Docket Nos. UG-040640 and UE-040641
WUTC v. PSE**

**RESPONSE TO PSE DATA REQUEST TO PUBLIC COUNSEL, THE ENERGY
PROJECT & A.W.I.S.H.**

Request No: 4
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Witness: Jim Lazar

PSE Data Request No. 4 to Public Counsel, The Energy Project & A.W.I.S.H.:

Please describe what constitutes “discretionary uses” of natural gas as referenced on line 7, page 5 of Exhibit No. ___(JL-1T), including providing all support for Public Counsel's position on this matter. Please provide any spreadsheets in the same format as they were used in the preparation of the testimony, with formulae intact and fully functional.

RESPONSE:

As used in the context of Mr. Lazar’s testimony, “discretionary uses” of natural gas means usage in excess of the amount of natural gas required to meet essential space heating and water heating needs of a small residential housing unit, assuming that efficient appliances are installed, cost-effective structure efficiency measures are employed, and reasonable conservation practices are used. The lowest-usage quartile of residential customers might be an appropriate measure of this.