

September 17, 2008

**NOTICE SHORTENING DEADLINE TO RESPOND
TO PUBLIC COUNSEL'S MOTION TO REOPEN THE RECORD
(Response Deadline Set for September 19, 1:30 p.m.)**

*RE: In the Matter of the Joint Application of PUGET HOLDINGS LLC AND
PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC. For an Order Authorizing Proposed
Transaction, Docket U-072375*

On Tuesday, September 16, 2008, the Public Counsel Section of the Washington State Attorney General's Office (Public Counsel) filed a Motion to ReOpen the Record in this matter. Parties wishing to respond to the motion would normally have five business days to do so. *WAC 480-07-375(4)*. Thus, the normal deadline for responses would be next Tuesday, September 23, 2008, a single day before post-hearing briefs are due in this matter.

In order to allow the Commission to issue its ruling on Public Counsel's motion in a timely and meaningful fashion, the Commission hereby shortens the response deadline to Friday, September 19, 2008, at 1:30 p.m. The Commission will endeavor to issue its ruling later that afternoon.

Any party wishing to respond should include any additional information it wishes to propose as a supplement to the existing record. Further, any party seeing the necessity for additional briefing prior to the Commission's decision on the issue raised in Public Counsel's motion should so state in its response.

Sincerely,

ADAM E. TOREM
Administrative Law Judge