

# STATE OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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## NOTICE OF BENCH REQUEST (Due on Friday, July 18, 2014, by 5:00 p.m.)

RE: Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Puget Sound Energy, Inc., Docket UE-130617, et al

#### TO ALL PARTIES:

The Commission seeks the following information from Puget Sound Energy (PSE), in the form of this bench request.

#### **BENCH REQUEST NO. 2:**

The revised filing includes a waiver of the Resource Enhancement Agreement (REA) transfer requirements.

 Please provide or cite any testimony, exhibits, contractual provisions, or actions by Electron Hydro, LLC (Electron LLC) and PSE to assure the Commission that PSE customers will be held harmless of obligations assumed by Electron LLC, in lieu of assignment of the REA, in the unlikely event Electron LLC ceases operations or fails to perform under the provisions of the contract prior to the conclusion of the REA obligations.

The revised filing does not indicate there is any change in the obligation of Electron LLC to shoulder the costs of the removal and reclamation of the Electron Hydroelectric Facility (Electron Facility).

• Please provide or cite any testimony, exhibits, or contractual provisions which describes how PSE customers will remain harmless from any costs associated with the Electron Facility removal and reclamation if, in the unlikely event, Electron

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LLC ceases operations or fails to perform under the provisions of the contract prior to the conclusion of the REA obligations (i.e., a requirement for the posting of decommissioning surety bonds).

Please respond to this Bench Request no later than **Friday**, **July 18**, **2014**, **by 5:00 p.m.**, with an original and **seven** (7) copies. If you have any questions concerning this request, please contact Administrative Law Judge Marguerite E. Friedlander at 360-664-1285 or via e-mail at <a href="mailto:mfriedla@utc.wa.gov">mfriedla@utc.wa.gov</a>.

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cc: All Parties