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Witness: Stephen G. Hill

# BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.

Respondent.

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### EXHIBIT TO DIRECT TESTIMONY OF

STEPHEN G. HILL

ON BEHALF OF STAFF OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAPM Cost of Equity Capital

July 25, 2006

#### PUGET SOUND ENERGY

#### CAPM COST OF EQUITY CAPITAL

**ELECTRIC UTILITIES** 

#### k = rf + B (rm - rf)

#### T-BILLS

 $[rf]^* = 4.69\%$   $[rm - rf]^{\dagger} = 6.70\%$  (geometric mean)  $[rm - rf]^{\dagger} = 8.60\%$  (arithmetic mean) average beta = 0.82

> k = 4.69% + 0.82 (6.7%/8.60%) k = 4.69% + 5.48%/7.04%k = 10.18% / 11.73%

#### **T-BONDS**

 $[rf]^* = 4.97\%$   $[rm - rf]^{\dagger} = 4.90\%$  (geometric mean)  $[rm - rf]^{\dagger} = 6.50\%$  (arithmetic mean) average beta = 0.82

> k = 4.97% + 0.82 (4.90%/6.50%) k = 4.97% + 4.01%/5.32% k = **8.99**% / **10.30**%

\*Current T-Bill & T-Bond yields, six-week average yield from Value Line Selection & Opinion (3/31/06-5/5/06) †Geometric and arithmetric market risk premiums from Ibbotson Associates 2006 SBBI Yearbook, p. 28.

#### PUGET SOUND ENERGY

## CAPM COST OF EQUITY CAPITAL GAS UTILITIES

k = rf + B (rm - rf)

#### T-BILLS

 $[rf]^* = 4.69\%$   $[rm - rf]^{\dagger} = 6.70\%$  (geometric mean)  $[rm - rf]^{\dagger} = 8.60\%$  (arithmetic mean) average beta = 0.81

> k = 4.69% + 0.81 (6.7%/8.60%) k = 4.69% + 5.42%/6.97% k = 10.11% / 11.65%

#### **T-BONDS**

[rf]\* = 4.97% [rm - rf]† = 4.90% (geometric mean) [rm - rf]† = 6.50% (arithmetic mean) average beta = 0.81

 $\begin{array}{lll} k = & 4.97\% + 0.81 \; (4.90\%/6.50\%) \\ k = & 4.97\% + 3.97\%/5.26\% \\ k = & \textbf{8.94\%} \; / \; \textbf{10.24\%} \end{array}$ 

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