**EXHIBIT NO. \_\_\_(RG-1CT)**

**DOCKET NO. UG-151663**

**2015 LNG FILING**

**WITNESS:  ROGER GARRATT**

**BEFORE THE**

**WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

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| **In the Matter of the Petition of****PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.** **for (i) Approval of a Special Contract for Liquefied Natural Gas Fuel Service with Totem Ocean Trailer Express, Inc. and (ii) a Declaratory Order Approving the Methodology for Allocating Costs Between Regulated and Non-regulated Liquefied Natural Gas Services** | **DOCKET NO. UG-151663** |

**PREFILED DIECT TESTIMONY (CONFIDENTIAL) OF
ROGER GARRATT
ON BEHALF OF PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.**

**Confidential per Protective Order in**

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(i) additional Jackson Prairie storage (50,000 Dth per day) purchased from Avista Utilities and Williams-Northwest Pipeline redelivery transportation service;

(ii) the Tacoma LNG Facility (85,000 Dth per day); and

(iii) upgrading the SWARR propane-air facility (30,000 Dth per day; refurbishment is currently under evaluation).

Please see the Prefiled Direct Testimony of Clay Riding, Exhibit No. \_\_\_(CR-1CT), for a discussion of PSE’s identification of need in the 2013 IRP.

**Q. How did PSE evaluate resource alternatives available** **to identify the resources mentioned above?**

A. PSE evaluates various resource alternatives available to reliably meet customer demand and determines which resource, or set of resources, most cost effectively meets its customer demand. PSE evaluated the Tacoma LNG Project in comparison with long-haul interstate pipeline capacity as well as regional underground natural gas storage service and interstate pipeline storage redelivery service. Since interstate pipeline capacity in PSE’s service territory is generally fully subscribed, especially considering the level of PSE’s resource needs, the resource alternatives analysis evaluated expansion of the regional pipeline grid.

By spreading the high fixed costs associated with an LNG facility across different customers (core gas customers, TOTE fuel sales, and non-regulated fuel sales), the Tacoma LNG Facility is selected as a least‐cost resource to provide peak-day capacity in PSE’s analyses of resource alternatives. Please see the Prefiled Direct Testimony of Clay Riding, Exhibit No. \_\_\_(CR-1CT), for a discussion of PSE’s analysis of alternatives in the 2013 IRP.

By combining these complementary load profiles, PSE can optimize the Tacoma LNG Facility and minimize peaking‐resource costs for PSE’s retail natural gas customers.

**Q. Has PSE already secured a long-term agreement for the sale of LNG from the Tacoma LNG Facility?**

A. Yes. PSE has entered into an LNG Fuel Supply Agreement, dated October 27, 2014 (the “TOTE Special Contract”) with Totem Ocean Trailer Express (“TOTE”). Please see Exhibit No. \_\_\_(CR-4C) for a copy of the TOTE Special Contract.

TOTE is a shipping company that transports approximately 30 percent of all consumer goods shipped to Alaska. It operates two Orca class ships between the Port of Tacoma and the Port of Anchorage on a regimented schedule of sailings departing from Tacoma every Wednesday and Friday evening. TOTE will consume more than 39 million gallons of LNG annually, which represents 44 percent of the liquefaction capacity of the Tacoma LNG Facility. TOTE is fully owned by Saltchuk Resources Inc., a privately held investment group based in Seattle. TOTE’s decision to use LNG (as opposed to a petroleum based fuel) has been driven by regulatory, environmental, and economic factors.

**Q. Please describe the regulatory factors that drive TOTE’s decision to use LNG as a marine fuel.**

A. In 2010, the International Maritime Organization, a United Nations organization, approved the North American Emissions Control Area, establishing more

Please see Table 14 for the allocation of budgeted total capital costs (including AFUDC) associated with the Tacoma LNG Facility among peak shaving, TOTE fuel sales, and non-regulated fuel sales.

**Table 14. Allocation of Budgeted Total Capital Costs (Including AFUDC)
Associated with the Tacoma LNG Facility ($ in millions)**

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|  | **PeakShaving** | **TOTEFuel Sales** | **Non-regulatedFuel Sales** | **Total** |
| Liquefaction | $10.1 | $46.3 | $47.7 | **$104.1** |
| Storage | $89.4 | $7.1 | $17.0 | **$113.5** |
| Bunkering | $0 | $34.6 | $0 | **$34.6** |
| Truck Loading | $1.8 | $0 | $5.5 | **$7.3** |
| Vaporization | $20.2 | $0 | $0 | **$20.2** |
| Common Items | $40.4 | $21.6 | $26.3 | **$88.3** |
| **Total** | **$161.9** | **$109.6** | **$96.6** | **$368.14[[1]](#footnote-1)** |
| **Percentage of Total** | **44%** | **30%** | **26%** | **100%** |

**Q. How will PSE use the total capital allocators presented in Table 14?**

A. PSE will use the total capital allocators presented in Table 14 to allocate certain operations and maintenance costs for the Tacoma LNG Facility. Please see the Prefiled Direct Testimony of Clay Riding, Exhibit No. \_\_\_(CR-1CT), for a discussion of the use of the total capital allocators to allocate certain operations and maintenance costs for the Tacoma LNG Facility.

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1. 4 The $368.1 million total is before the reduction by the AFUDC reserve account (projected to be approximately $3.5 million), which reduces the AFUDC on the non-regulated portion of the plant, as discussed below. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)