BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND)	DOCKETS UE-072300
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,)	and UG-072301 (Consolidated)
Complainant,)	
)	ORDER 07
v.)	
)	GRANTING MOTION TO EXTEND
PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.,)	TIME FOR RESPONSE TO PUGET
)	SOUND ENERGY, INC.'S MOTION
Respondent.)	FOR LEAVE TO FILE
)	SUPPLEMENTAL TESTIMONY
)	(To be filed by April 28, 2008)
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MEMORANDUM

- On April 17, 2008, Commission Staff (Staff) and the Public Counsel Section of the Washington State Attorney General's Office (Public Counsel) filed a joint motion requesting an additional seven calendar days to respond to a Puget Sound Energy, Inc. (PSE), motion seeking leave to file extensive supplemental testimony. The joint motion states that PSE does not oppose the request. No other party stated opposition in response to informal polling by Staff. Given the results of Staff's informal polling and the shortness of time, the Commission here acts on the joint motion without waiting for the expiration of the five-day period of time during which parties ordinarily would have an opportunity to respond.
- PSE's supplemental testimony is voluminous, including not only evidence concerning updated power costs, but also corrections to certain pro forma and restating adjustments from the original filing. The moving parties should be afforded a reasonable opportunity to evaluate PSE's filing before deciding whether to oppose, in whole or in part, PSE's motion for leave to file supplemental testimony. The Commission determines the moving parties show good cause to extend the deadline by which responses to PSE's motion for leave to file supplemental testimony must be filed by seven calendar days.

<u>ORDER</u>

THE COMMISSION ORDERS That the Joint Motion of Commission Staff and Public Counsel to Extend Time to Respond to Puget Sound Energy, Inc. Motion for Leave to File Supplemental Testimony and Exhibits is granted. Any responses to the Joint Motion must be filed by close of business on April 28, 2008.

Dated at Olympia, Washington, and effective April 18, 2008.

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DENNIS J. MOSS Administrative Law Judge