EXH. KKD-_X DOCKET UE-210795 2022 PSE CEIP WITNESS: KARA K. DURBIN

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC. 2021 Clean Energy Implementation Plan

Docket UE-210795

EXHIBIT TO THE CROSS-EXAMINATION OF

KARA K. DURBIN

ON BEHALF OF NW ENERGY COALITION AND FRONT AND CENTERED

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FRONT AND CENTERED AND NW ENERGY COALITION DATA REQUEST NO. 215:

Topic: Durbin Testimony (CETA's Equity Mandate, CBIs and Metrics, Public Process/Community Engagement/ Empowerment Pilot)

One of PSE's CBIs in the 2021 CEIP is "Improved participation in clean energy programs from highly impacted communities and vulnerable populations," with an associated metric, "Increase percentage of participation in energy efficiency, demand response and distributed resource programs or services by PSE customers within highly impacted communities and vulnerable populations." 2021 CEIP, Appx. H at 1, Tbl. H-1. The 2021 CEIP also includes some baseline data and future forecasts for this CBI. 2021 CEIP at Ch.3 p.71, Tbl. 3-7. PSE's baseline data for "DER programs" for this CBI is "none exists." 2021 CEIP at Ch.3 p.71, Tbl. 3-7. PSE's forecasted data for DER rooftop solar programs is "800 participants, 7% from highly impacted communities, 7% from vulnerable populations." 2021 CEIP at Ch.3 p.71, Tbl. 3-7.

- a. Is it PSE's position that one participant from named communities in PSE's DER rooftop solar programs would constitute "improved" participation, such that PSE's "Improved participation" CBI would be satisfied? If not, please explain what standard or target PSE would use to determine whether participation has "improved" sufficiently to satisfy this CBI.
- b. Please confirm whether PSE's CBI and associated metric, "Improved participation from named communities" in PSE's EE, DER, and DR programs, measures numbers of participants but not the level of energy or non-energy benefits received by participants.

Response:

a. Table 3-7 in Puget Sound Energy's ("PSE") 2021 Clean Energy Implementation Plan ("CEIP"), listed on page 70, is a "Sample of Metric with Baseline Data and Future Forecast." These are hypothetical metrics provided as an example.

Witness Durbin's testimony did not express PSE's position regarding an appropriate standard or target for measuring improvement, and the next CEIP may be the appropriate forum for establish such, after receiving input from interested parties.

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b. The Customer Benefit Indicator "Improved participation in clean energy programs from highly impacted communities and vulnerable populations" measures the percentage of the number of participants, as shown in Table 3-8 on page 73 of PSE's 2021 CEIP, as well as the percentage of electricity generated by renewable energy projects for distributed resources, as noted in Table 3-9, also on page 73 to 74 of PSE's 2021 CEIP.