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Via E-mail and U.S. Mail

Carole J. Washburn, Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
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Re: Puget Sound Energy
Docket No. UE-011570/UG-011571

Dear Ms. Washburn:

The Commission has previously granted an extension for the filing of briefs in the interim case to March 8, 2002, to allow the Company, Staff, Public Counsel, ICNU and Kroger to engage in settlement discussions. Those discussions occurred on February 26 and 28, 2002, and the parties have scheduled time for further discussions on March 5, 2002.

Therefore, these parties jointly request another extension of the interim brief to March 13, 2002. I have also been asked by the Company to indicate that it hopes the Commission will issue an order in the interim case, if not settled, by March 31, 2002.

Very truly yours,

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cc: All parties