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Docket Nos. UE-060266/UG-060267
Witness: Joelle R. Steward

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

Complainant,

v.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.

Respondent.

DOCKET NO. UE-060266 DOCKET NO. UG-060267

EXHIBIT TO DIRECT TESTIMONY OF

JOELLE R. STEWARD

STAFF OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Residential Use Per Customer for New customers added in 2003 and 2004

July 25, 2006

2005 Residential Use Per Customer for New Customers Added in 2003 and 2004

Use Per Customer b//a	608	727	718	
Sales Volumes	509,037,774	14,120,011	12,436,588	
Number of Customers	795'679	19,433	17,332	
2005 Actual Use	2005 total customers	2005 usage of customers added in 2003	2005 usage of customers added in 2004	

Sources:

2005 number of customers and sales volumes are from Ron Amen workpapers.

2003 customers from Public Counsel DR 15 (attached).

2004 customers from Public Counsel DR 14 (attached).

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Puget Sound Energy, Inc.'s 2006 General Rate Case

PUBLIC COUNSEL DATA REQUEST NO. PC-014

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Provide the number of customers and their actual use, during 2005, of the cohort of residential natural gas customers added to the system during calendar year 2004.

Response:

In 2004, there were 17,332 residential natural gas services added to Puget Sound Energy, Inc.'s ("PSE") system. The customers represented by these service additions ultimately consumed a total of 12,436,588 therms during 2005. Only customers with usage for the majority of year 2005 were included in the analysis. These data were summarized using an extract of the Company's billing system that does not provide adequate detail regarding the types of customers added to PSE's gas system in 2004. In order to perform a thorough analysis of customers added to PSE's gas system in 2004 (including comparing their usage to that of other groups of customers), additional market research data needs to be applied to the billing consumption data, such as whether the service was related to new construction versus a conversion from an alternate fuel, vintage of home (re: conversions), square footage of the residence, and structure type of the dwelling. PSE has not assembled datasets that contain both the market research data and historical consumption.

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Docket Nos. UE-060266 & UG-060267 Puget Sound Energy, Inc.'s 2006 General Rate Case

PUBLIC COUNSEL DATA REQUEST NO. PC-015

PUBLIC COUNSEL DATA REQUEST NO. PC-015:

Provide the number of customers and their actual use, during 2005, of the cohort of residential natural gas customers added to the system during calendar year 2003.

Response:

In 2003, there were 19,433 residential natural gas services added to Puget Sound Energy, Inc.'s ("PSE") system. The customers represented by these service additions ultimately consumed a total of 14,120,011 therms during 2005. Only customers with usage for the majority of year 2005 were included in this analysis. These data were summarized using an extract of PSE's billing system that does not provide adequate detail regarding the types of customers added to the gas system in 2003. In order to perform a thorough analysis of customers added to PSE's gas system in 2003 (including comparing their usage to that of other groups of customers), additional market research data needs to be applied to PSE's billing consumption data, such as whether service was related to new construction versus a conversion from an alternate fuel, vintage of home (re: conversions), square footage of the residence, and structure type of the dwelling. PSE has not assembled datasets that contain both the market research data and historical consumption.