

March 15, 2002

**NOTICE OF HEARING ON SETTLEMENT
(Monday, March 25, 2002)**

NOTICE OF SUSPENSION OF PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

RE: WUTC v. Puget Sound Energy
Docket Nos. UE-011570/UG-011571

TO ALL PARTIES OF RECORD:

The parties to this docket have advised the Commission that they have agreed upon a proposed settlement of matters at issue in the Interim phase of these dockets and upon some other matters at issue amongst them. They have asked the opportunity to present the proposal to the Commission at an early time.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a hearing on the parties' proposed settlement will be held on Monday, March 25, beginning at 9:30 a.m. in Room 206, Chandler Plaza Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW, Olympia, Washington.

On January 2, 2002, the Commission entered a second supplemental prehearing conference order setting hearing dates of April 2 – 5 and reserving April 8 – 12 for the general phase of PSE's general rate increase hearings. The parties have asked that the schedule relating to this April hearing phase be suspended, pending the Commission's decision on the proposal for settlement. The Commission finds that granting the request is consistent with the public interest. Therefore, the schedule for a hearing session to begin on April 2, 2002, is suspended.

Sincerely,

CAROLE J. WASHBURN
Secretary