EXH. PKW-2 DOCKETS UE-22__/UG-22_ 2022 PSE GENERAL RATE CASE WITNESS: PAUL K. WETHERBEE

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, Complainant,

v.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY,

Respondent.

Docket UE-22____ Docket UG-22

FIRST EXHIBIT (PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS) TO THE PREFILED DIRECT TESTIMONY OF

PAUL K. WETHERBEE

ON BEHALF OF PUGET SOUND ENERGY

JANUARY 31, 2022

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Q. Please state your name and business address.

- My name is Paul K. Wetherbee. My business address is Puget Sound Energy, Inc., A. P.O. Box 97034, Bellevue, Washington 98009-9734.
- Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?
- I am employed by Puget Sound Energy ("PSE") as Director, Energy Supply A. Management.
- Q. What are your duties as Director, Energy Supply Management?
- A. I am responsible for oversight of all Front Office activities including power and gas trading, participation in the Energy Imbalance Market, the hedging program and the dispatch of PSE's generating assets, related transmission, and any associated environmental attributes. I also manage work groups that address resource adequacy conformance, regional market design, merchant transmission optimization, and the integration of generation assets.
- Q. Briefly describe your education and relevant employment experience.
- A. I earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in geology from Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota in 1986. I earned an M.S. degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in economic geology and a second M.S. degree from the

University of Washington in forest engineering and watershed hydrology. Most recently, I completed an MBA from Seattle University.

I have worked for PSE for 18 years and have held progressively responsible positions over that time. I started as a hydrologist working on hydro relicensing and progressed to Manager, Hydro Contracts and Manger, Special Projects where I worked on Mid-C resources and the White River Project disposition, respectively. As Manager, Resource Development, I led the development of the Lower Snake River Wind Project. As Director, I have held several roles in hydro and wind generation operations, asset management, and finance. I was Director, Energy Supply Merchant from 2016 to November 2021 and recently expanded my responsibilities to include resource adequacy, market design, and merchant transmission and asset integration as Director, Energy Supply Management.