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December 7, 2016

Mr. Steven V. King, Executive Director and Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Re: Docket No. UG-161250 - PSE Advice No. 2016-33

Dear Mr. King:

Pursuant to WAC 480-90-198, Notice Verification and Assistance, Puget Sound Energy ("PSE") is providing this statement that it published the attached notice in the above-referenced docket in accordance with WAC 480-90-194, Publication of Proposed Tariff Changes to Increase Charges or Restrict Access to Services.

On November 29, 2016, PSE filed with the Commission a revision to natural gas Schedule 132, Merger Rate Credit rates proposed to become effective January 1, 2017. PSE's 57,000 commercial and industrial customers will see an increase in their bills due to the proposed changes. The methods used to give notice to customers are those outlined in WAC 480-90-194, Subsection (2), Published Notice.

On November 30, 2016, PSE published notice in the Seattle Times, Tacoma News Tribune, Olympian, Kitsap Sun, Kittitas Valley Daily Record, Bellingham Herald, Skagit Valley Herald, Centralia Chronicle and Daily Herald (Everett). The same day, notice was posted on PSE.com and provided to KOMO 4 News, KIRO Radio 97.3 FM, and Seattle Times news editors. Community agencies where provided a copy of the notice as well, on December 5, 2016.

Please contact Julie Waltari at (425) 456-2945 for additional information about this notice publication or posting. If you have any other questions please contact me at (425) 456-2110.

Sincerely,

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