

EXHIBIT NO. ___(CAP-2)
DOCKET NO. UE-082128
WITNESS: CHRISTINE A. PHILIPPS

**BEFORE THE
WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Petition of

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.

For a Determination of Emissions Compliance and
Proposed Accounting Treatment For the Mint Farm
Energy Center; or, Alternatively For an Accounting
Order

Docket No. UE-082128

**FIRST EXHIBIT (PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS) TO THE
PREFILED DIRECT TESTIMONY OF
CHRISTINE A. PHILIPPS
ON BEHALF OF PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.**

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PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.

**FIRST EXHIBIT (PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS) TO THE
PREFILED DIRECT TESTIMONY OF CHRISTINE A. PHILIPPS**

Q. Please state your name and business address.

A. My name is Christine Philipps. My business address is 10885 NE Fourth Street, Bellevue, Washington, 98004-5591.

Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?

A. I am employed by Puget Sound Energy, Inc. (“PSE”) as Director, Federal Regulatory Affairs.

Q. What are your duties as Director, Federal Regulatory Affairs?

A. As Director, Federal Regulatory Affairs, I am responsible for the strategy, policy and overall direction of the Company’s interest regarding federal regulatory issues. I am responsible for leading the implementation of the Company’s corporate compliance program including monitoring operational compliance units, analyzing risk assessments based on federal regulations.

Q. Please describe your prior duties as Manager of Resource Acquisition for PSE.

1 A. In that position, I was responsible for the acquisition of long term electric supply
2 resources.

3 **Q. Briefly describe your education and relevant employment experience.**

4 A. In 1980 I graduated from Carroll College in Helena, Montana with a Bachelor of
5 Arts degree in Education. In 1990 I earned a Master of Arts degree in
6 International Management and a Master of Business Administration in Finance,
7 both the from the University of Texas in Dallas.

8 I was Minority Chief Clerk for the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee in
9 Washington D.C. from 1981 through 1986. In 1986 I worked as legal assistant
10 for Clearly Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton in New York, New York, and later for
11 Baer Marks and Upham, also in New York, New York.

12 From 1990-1993, I worked as a senior marketing representative for BridgeGas
13 U.S.A. Inc., in Dallas, Texas. From 1993-2001, I was a Director at Engage
14 Energy US, L.P/Coastal Corp., in Bellevue, Washington.

15 In 2001 I joined PSE as a major accounts executive. As a major accounts
16 executive, I implemented the Schedule 48 settlement with PSE's largest electric
17 customers, I negotiated special contracts with self generators, and I negotiated a
18 settlement with a large industrial customer. Later in 2001, I became Manager,
19 Load Resource Strategies for PSE. As Manager, Load Resource Strategies, I
20 analyzed load/resource balance, produced *Overview of Loads/Resources 2001-*
21 *2010* as a foundational document for what would be PSE's planning and

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acquisition activity, developed a database of all Pacific Northwest development projects for PSE's 2003 request for proposals solicitation. In 2002 I became Energy Marketing Manager for PSE. My duties included executing forward power purchases, call options, weather derivatives, heat rate sales, and exchanges. I also transacted the Company's first wind power purchase. In 2004 I became Manager, Resource Acquisition for PSE. In that position I led due diligence teams in the review and analysis of potential resource alternatives for the Company's 2004, 2006 and 2008 request for proposals process, negotiated purchased power agreements, drafted resource testimony for rate proceedings, and acted as lead negotiator for the acquisition of Mint Farm Energy Center.