

**Exh. ASR-3
Docket UE-200115
Witness: Andrew S. Rector**

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Application of

DOCKET UE-200115

PUGET SOUND ENERGY

**For an Order Authorizing the Sale of All
of Puget Sound Energy's Interests in
Colstrip Unit 4 and Certain of Puget
Sound Energy's Interests in the Colstrip
Transmission System**

**EXHIBIT TO
TESTIMONY OF**

Andrew S. Rector

**STAFF OF
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TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

PSE Response to UTC Staff Data Request No. 32

October 2, 2020

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**Docket UE-200115
Puget Sound Energy
Application Authorizing Sale of PSE Interest in Colstrip Unit 4**

WUTC STAFF DATA REQUEST NO. 032:

Re: Net Reduction of 95 MW of Capacity

In Exh. RJR-1CT, at lines 16:7-17:4, Mr. Roberts states that the proposed sale would “leav[e] PSE with a net reduction of 95 MW of capacity through May 15, 2025....PSE assumed that it would replace all of the lost capacity during the term of the NorthWestern Energy PPA with power purchased at the Mid C Day-Ahead Index Price...unless PSE were to acquire a new resource to fill the net reduction of 95 MW of capacity through May 15, 2025.”

Has PSE acquired any new resources that will fill this net reduction in capacity? If yes, please supply the following:

- a. The generator name and location (city, state)
- b. The generator's fuel type
- c. The total capacity (in MW) of the contract
- d. The beginning and end dates of the contract

Response:

No, Puget Sound Energy (“PSE”) has not yet acquired any new resources to backfill the net reduction of 95 MW of capacity reduction that would result from the proposed transactions if they close. After regulatory approvals of the proposed transactions have been received, PSE will likely issue a short term solicitation to cover the winter peak capacity shortfall, if any, in the near term. PSE notes, however, that decreased demands resulting from COVID-19 and economic downturn may reduce the capacity need.