

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

**Docket Nos. UE-072300 and UG-072301  
Puget Sound Energy, Inc.'s  
2007 General Rate Case**

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Describe all plans now under way to replace the capacity represented by the Colstrip plants when they begin to retire in 2019.

**Response:**

Colstrip coal contracts begin to expire in 2019 and may or may not have an impact on retirements. Puget Sound Energy, Inc.'s ("PSE") latest Integrated Resource Plan, filed in May 2007, includes all four Colstrip units in PSE's resources throughout the 20-year planning horizon. Future resource plans will continue to evaluate Colstrip in light of then-current regulations, environmental and economic conditions and replacement alternatives.