

April 23, 2002

**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT**  
**(Friday, April 26, 2002)**

RE: *WUTC v. Puget Sound Energy*  
Docket Nos. UE-011570/UG-011571

TO ALL PARTIES OF RECORD:

On Friday, April 19, 2002, PSE filed on behalf of itself and King County a “Stipulation of Settlement for King County.” The certificate of service states that all parties were served a courtesy copy via facsimile, and that official service was effected via U.S. Mail on April 19, 2002. Thus, it appears that all parties have had the proposed settlement in hand at least since April 22, 2002, the next business day following facsimile delivery. PSE’s transmittal letter highlights the fact that the Stipulation calls for Commission action no later than May 3, 2002. Considering the short time-frame in which Commission action is requested and the significant amount of other pressing business currently on the Commission’s calendar during the indicated period, it may be impossible to accommodate the parties’ request. Nevertheless, the Commission will do what it can, consistent with due process requirements, to expedite consideration of this matter.

**ACCORDINGLY, ALL PARTIES PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that any party that wishes to be heard on the proposed partial settlement is required to file written comments by the close of business on Friday, April 26, 2002. The Commission may require a hearing. WAC 480-09-466 (2)(a). If a hearing is required, expedited notice will be provided to all parties.**

Sincerely,

DENNIS J. MOSS  
Administrative Law Judge