

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION STAFF
RESPONSE TO DATA REQUEST

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REQUESTER: Public Counsel

WITNESS: David Parcell
RESPONDER: David Parcell
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REQUEST NO. 5: Is Mr. Parcell aware of Staff witness Deborah Reynolds' Direct Testimony (Exhibit No. ___ (DJR-1T)), which at page 27 cites the Commission findings in Docket No. UE-070804, where the Commission found that designing rates that promote rate stability can temper the need for higher returns on equity because they reduce the operating risk of the utility? Does Mr. Parcell agree with this Commission finding or disagree? If he disagrees, please explain why.

RESPONSE: Mr. Parcell is aware of page 27 of Ms. Reynolds' testimony, citing the Commission's findings in Docket UE-070804. Mr. Parcell agrees with the Commission's findings stated in that paragraph.