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Mr. Mark L. Johnson, Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
621 Woodland Square Loop SE
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RE:  Advice No. 2020-44 – Electric Tariff Revision - Filed Electronically

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Pursuant to RCW 80.28.060, WAC 480-80-101 and -105 please find enclosed for filing the following proposed revisions to the WN U-60, tariff for electric service of Puget Sound Energy (“PSE”):

1st Revision of Sheet No. 139-E – Schedule 139 Voluntary Long Term Renewable Energy Purchase Rider
5th Revision of Sheet No. 139-E – Schedule 139 Voluntary Long Term Renewable Energy Purchase Rider (Continued)

PSE is making this filing in order to update the Schedule 139 Energy Charge Credit that became effective October 15, 2020 at the conclusion of PSE’s 2019 general rate case in Docket UE-190529 (“2019 GRC”). In Docket UE-200907, the Commission allowed PSE’s electric Schedule 142 Revenue Decoupling Adjustment Mechanism “allowed revenues” and “revenue per unit” to go into effect that reflected the corrected assignment of $20 million of negative revenue requirement to PSE’s fixed production revenue. The updates to PSE’s decoupling mechanism went into effect on December 7, 2020. This filing similarly updates the Schedule 139 Energy Charge Credit to reflect the same correction to PSE’s fixed production revenue. Beginning October 15, 2020, the Energy Charge Credit was calculated at $0.045634. This filing proposes to decrease the Energy Charge Credit to $0.044883, effective January 1, 2021. The change to the Energy Charge Credit results in an average overall increase to rates for electric Schedule 139 customers served under Schedules 24, 25, 26, 31, 43, 49 and 49, of 0.84 percent.

A housekeeping change is also included in this filing. The inclusion of electric Schedule 40, which was closed to customers effective October 15, 2020 at the conclusion of PSE’s 2019 GRC, has been removed from the Availability section of Schedule 139.

The tariff sheets described herein reflect an issue date of December 1, 2020, and effective date of January 1, 2021. Posting of proposed tariff changes, as required by law and the Commission’s rules and regulations, is being completed coincident with the date of this transmittal letter through web,
telephone and mail access in accordance with WAC 480-100-193. Notice to individual customers under the provisions of WAC 480-100-194 will be provided within 30 days of the January 1, 2021, effective date.

Please contact Julie Waltari at julie.waltari@pse.com or (425) 456-2945 for additional information about this filing. If you have any other questions please contact me at (425) 456-2142.

Sincerely,

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Attachments: Electric Tariff Sheets (listed above)
Workpapers
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Electric Tariff G

SCHEDULE 139
VOLUNTARY LONG TERM RENEWABLE ENERGY PURCHASE RIDER

1. PREFACE:

a. The Company and many Customers have worked together to encourage the development of Renewable Energy resources that (i) will provide clean energy to Customers at a long-term contracted rate, (ii) support the local economy, and (iii) could be publicized and leveraged for external benefit.

b. This Schedule is designed to provide Customers a voluntary opportunity to purchase Renewable Energy as established by RCW 19.29A.090.

c. Service under this Schedule is provided through: 1) the purchase of Renewable Energy from resources the Company owns or contracts for and delivered to the Company’s Balancing Authority Area, and 2) Renewable Energy Credits, where applicable, obtained by the Company and transferred to the Customer that have been created with the electricity production.

d. As this is a retail product, the Renewable Energy Credits, when available, must be retired by the Customer in WREGIS or they may be retired by the Company on behalf of the Customer.

2. AVAILABILITY:

a. Service under this Schedule is available after January 1, 2017, to Customers taking Electric Service on any of the following schedules: 24, 25, 26, 31, 43, 46 and 49.

b. At the time an Enrollment Request is submitted, Customers must have a minimum aggregated load of 10,000,000 kWh annually with PSE, or be a municipal, county, state or federal institution. Customers may choose which service address(es) to subscribe to this service. Customers must contract for 100% of the load of all meters located at each service address under contract for Renewable Energy.

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PURCHASE RIDER (Continued)

7. TERMINATION BY CUSTOMER:

Customers who choose to discontinue their service under this Schedule will be charged for the net cost of the remaining Renewable Energy that was to be delivered to the Customer under the remaining term of the Service Agreement. This amount will be based on: 1) the remaining term of the Service Agreement, 2) the amount of estimated annual Renewable Energy needs of each of the discontinued Customer’s locations as listed in Section 5 of the Service Agreement, 3) the estimated output of the Resource, 4) the contracted energy rates agreed to in Section 7 of the Service Agreement, and 5) a credit for PSE’s then-current avoided costs (filed consistent with WAC 480-107-055). Termination of service under this Schedule will follow receipt and processing of the termination request by the Company.

8. MONTHLY RATES:

In addition to charges under the Customer’s existing Electric Service schedule, Schedule 139 monthly rates include: 1) a credit for the energy-related power cost component of the Energy Charge of the Customer’s Electric Service schedule, and 2) a charge for the Renewable Energy. Charges will commence with the Customer’s normal billing cycle for that specific account(s) under which the Customer is already taking Electric service.

   a. Energy Charge Credit:  
      ($0.044883) per kWh
   b. Resource Option Energy Charge:  
      Listed in Section 9.

Charges under this Schedule will be in addition to all the other charges under the Customer’s existing Electric Service schedule. The Energy Charge Credit will be updated with each general rate case, power cost only rate case, or other power-related filings.

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