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**Re: Application of Puget Sound Energy, Inc. for Long-Term Authorization to Import  
and Export Natural Gas from and to Canada**  
**FE Docket No. 05-05-NC**

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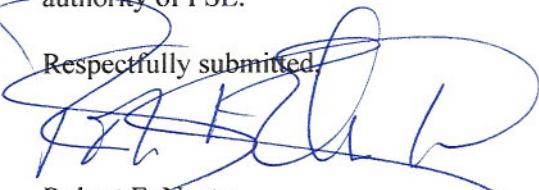
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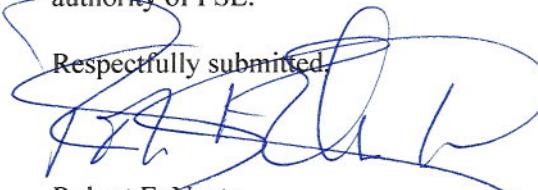
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PSE will report purchases and sales under this contract effective the first of the month following the approval thereof by the Department of Energy. The price for each import and export transaction will be established in the contract and/or determined by prevailing competitive market prices. Any imports and exports under the requested authorization will utilize existing pipeline capacity to receive the gas at the point of importation, to deliver the gas to the point of exportation and to deliver gas supplies to PSE's markets; no new construction will be required to receive the gas at or deliver the gas to the border or to deliver the gas to PSE or, for its account, to others.

The Commission's policies and directives in restructuring the natural gas industry create a nationwide natural gas market, composed of many suppliers and purchasers operating in an openly competitive environment. Accordingly, PSE can engage in natural gas marketing activities beyond its existing distribution territories. Therefore, if the opportunity exists, PSE intends to use its Long-Term Authorization to purchase and import and sell and export gas for its own account as well as for the account of its Canadian or U.S. suppliers and its Canadian or U.S. purchasers. The subject application is similar to other blanket import and export arrangements approved by DOE.

#### **IV PUBLIC INTEREST**

The Energy Policy Act provides that the importation and exportation of natural gas from or to a nation with which there is in effect a free trade agreement shall be deemed to be within the public interest, and that applications for such importation and exportation shall be

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1. That the Assistant Secretary for Fossil Energy or his delegate find that the WHEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing premises, Puget Sound Energy, Inc.
- PSE agrees to file quarterly reports of its import and export activities pursuant to the extension of Authorization requested in this Application.

**REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**  
**VI**

No new facilities will be constructed in the United States for the proposed importation and exportation of natural gas. Consequently, granting this Application will not be a federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment within the meaning of the National Environmental Policy Act, 42 U.S.C. § 4321, et seq. Therefore, an environmental impact statement or environmental assessment is not required.

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**  
**A**

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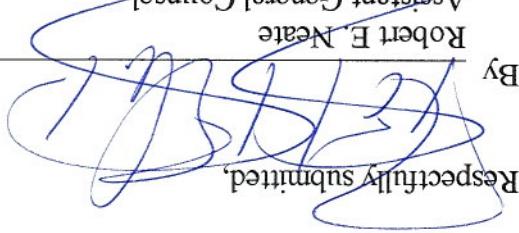
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By

  
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DATED: November 7, 2005.

Canada as proposed in this application.

3. That such other and further authority be granted to Puget Sound Energy, Inc. as may be necessary to authorize importation and exportation of natural gas from and to



Print Name: MICHEL D. BURGOON  
 Notary Public in and for the State of Washington,  
 residing at 3201 1/2 Belmont Way  
 My commission expires: 7-5-08

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 7th day of November, 2005.

Robert E. Neate

the same with the Department of Energy.  
 the best of his information, knowledge and belief; and that he is authorized to execute and file  
 contents thereof; that all the statements and matters contained therein are true and correct to  
 Authorization to Import and Export Natural Gas from and to Canada and is familiar with the  
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 Robert E. Neate, being first sworn, deposes and says that he is Assistant General

COUNTY OF KING )  
 STATE OF WASHINGTON )  
 ) ss.  
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VERIFICATION

Subject:		60101-117		Deal Number:	60101	Contract Number:	ANSACITION CONFIRMATION IS SUBJECT TO THE EXECUTED CONTRACT BETWEEN SELLER AND BUYER DATED AUGUST 1, 2004
Buyer:		PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.		Seller:	CONOCOPHILLIPS CANADA LIMITED	TP Number:	200411-1276
Phone:		(425) 462-3103		Attn. Confirmation:	ADM CONFIRMATIONS	Fax:	78009-9734
Phone:		(403) 233-4679		Attn. Confirmation:	ADM CONFIRMATIONS	Fax:	(425) 462-3103
Fax:		(403) 233-5302		Shct Team:	TRANS CANADA ALBERTA SYSTEM	Detail Type:	Individual
Email:		FIRM		Contact Class:	US\$ ACCO-NTR	Recipient Point:	TRANS CANADA ALBERTA SYSTEM
Receipt Period:		NOVEMBER 1, 2004		Termination Date:	OCTOBER 31, 2009	Term:	NOVEMBER 1, 2004
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CONOCOPHILLIPS CANADA LIMITED Seller By: Jeff Peacock Signature Leader Title: Date:  CONOCOPHILLIPS CANADA LIMITED Buyer By: David E. Minns President Energy Inc. Title: Date:  Power & Gas Supply Operations Director Title: Date:  Puget Sound Energy							

**TRANSACTION CONFIRMATION**  
FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY

Date: October 20, 2004  
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**CONOCOPHILLIPS**

NATIONAL GAS RESOURCES

This Base Contract is entered into as of the following date: August 1, 2004. The parties to this Base Contract are the following:

Base Contract for Sale and Purchase of Natural Gas

Attn: ConocoPhillips Canada Limited  
Attn: Confirmations  
Phone: (403) 233.4679 Fax (403) 233.5426  
See Exhibit C

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**Section 1.2**  Oral (default)  Written  Procedure  
Section 7.2  25<sup>th</sup> Day of Month following Month of Payment Date delivery (default)  
and only one box from each section may be checked if the applicable provision is to apply.

<b>Section 2.5</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 Business Days after receipt (default) <input type="checkbox"/> Business Days after receipt (default)	<b>Section 7.2</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Wire transfer (default) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Method of payment	<b>Section 2.6</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Seller (default) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Buyer Confidentiality Deadline	<b>Section 7.7</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Netting <input type="checkbox"/> Netting applies (default) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Budget Sound Energy, Inc.	<b>Section 3.2</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cover Standard (default) <input type="checkbox"/> Spot Price Standard Obligation	<b>Section 10.3.1</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Early Termination <input type="checkbox"/> Early Termination Damages Apply (default) <input type="checkbox"/> Damages	<b>Note: The following Spot Price Publication applies to both</b>	<b>Section 2.26</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gas Daily Midpoint (default) <input type="checkbox"/> Canadian Gas Price Reporter Spot Price Substitution	<b>Section 10.3.2</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Agreement Settlements Apply (default) <input type="checkbox"/> Settlements <input type="checkbox"/> Other Agreement Settlements Do Not Apply	<b>Note: The immediate Spot Price Publication applies to both</b>	<b>Section 14.5</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alberta <input type="checkbox"/> Choice Of Law	<b>Section 6</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Buyer Pays At and After Delivery Point (default) <input type="checkbox"/> Taxes	<b>Section 14.10</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Confidentiality applies (default) <input type="checkbox"/> Confidentiality does not apply <input type="checkbox"/> Seller Pays Before and At Delivery Point	<b>Special Provisions Number of sheets attached: 8</b>
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'Business Day' shall mean any day except Saturday, Sunday, or a statutory or banking holiday observed in the jurisdiction specified pursuant to Section 14.5 or Alberta. A Business Day shall open at 8:00 a.m. and close at 5:00 p.m. local time for the relevant party's principal place of business. The relevant party, in each instance unless otherwise specified, shall be the party to whom the Notice is being sent and by whom the Notice is to be received.

2. Replace the definition of "Business Day" in Section 2.4 with the following:

"Termination Currency Equivalent" shall mean the joule specified in the SI system of units.  
"Termination Currency" means United States Dollars.  
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"Joule" shall mean the joule specified in the SI system of units.

"GJ" shall mean 1 gigajoule,  $1 \text{ gigajoule} = 1,000,000,000 \text{ joules}$ . The standard conversion factor between Dekatherms and GJ's is  $1.055056 \text{ GJ's per Dekatherm}$ .

"Affirmative Damages" shall mean such damages, expressed in United States dollars or United States dollars per MMbtu, or Canadian dollars or Canadian dollars per GJ, as the parties shall agree upon in the Transaction Confirmation, in the event either Seller or Buyer fails to perform a firm obligation to deliver Gas in the case of Seller or to receive Gas in the case of Buyer.

"Affiliate" of a party shall mean (i) any person or entity that directly or indirectly controls, controlled by the same person or entity, or (ii) any entity that directly or indirectly controls that party; (iii) any entity that is directly or indirectly controlled by that party, or (iv) any entity that is directly or indirectly controlled by the same person or entity.

1. Add the following definitions in Section 2 where they would appear alphabetically and renumber the remaining subsections accordingly:

## SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS

2. Delete the last sentence of Section 1.4.

1. Add the following to Section 1.4 after the words "such recording," in the third line: "All telephone recordings made by CPCL will be held and maintained in accordance with CPCL's information handling and security policies and any applicable provincial or federal privacy legislation."

## SECTION 1. PURPOSES AND PROCEDURES

### A AGREEMENTS

Special Provisions ("Special Provisions") attached to and forming a part of that certain Base Contract for Sale of Natural Gas dated August 1, 2004 (the "Base Contract") by and between ConocoPhillips Canada Limited ("ConocoPhillips") and Puget Sound Energy, Inc. ("PSE"). Capitalized terms used in these Special Provisions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Base Contract. Sections referenced in these Special Provisions refer to a Section of the General Terms and Conditions of the Base Contract, unless stated otherwise.

NAESB Base Contract for Sale and Purchase of Natural Gas  
Special Provisions

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b.3.1 Where Buyer is not registered for GST under the ETA and Buyer indicates to Seller that Gas will be exported from Canada, Buyer may request Seller treat such Gas as "zero-rated" Gas for export within the meaning of the ETA for billing purposes. If Seller, in its sole discretion, agrees to so treat such Gas, then Buyer hereby declares, represents and warrants to Seller that Buyer will: (i) export such Gas as soon as is practicable after Seller delivers such Gas to Buyer (or after such Gas is delivered to Buyer after a zero-rated storage service under the ETA) having regard to the circumstances surrounding the export and, where applicable, normal business practice; (ii) not acquire such Gas for consumption or use in Canada (other than as fuel or compressor gas to transport such Gas by pipeline) or for supply in Canada (other than to supply liquids or ethane to the extent reasonable for which it is deemed by the ETA to be nil) before export of such Gas; (iii) ensure that, after such Gas is delivered and before export, such Gas is not further processed, transformed or altered in Canada (except to the extent incidental to its transportation and other than to recover natural gas liquids or necessary or incidental to its transportation); (iv) maintain on file, and provide to the Canadian Customs and Revenue Agency, evidence satisfactory to the Minister of National Revenue of the export of such Gas at a straddle plant; (v) comply with all other requirements prescribed by the ETA for zero-rated export of such Gas.

Where Buyer indicates to Seller that Gas will be exported from Canada, the following shall apply:

Add the following as Section 6.3:

The Contract Price does not include any amounts payable by Buyer for the goods and services tax ("GST") imposed pursuant to the Excise Tax Act (Canada) ("ETA") or any similar or replacement value added or sales or use tax enacted under successor legislation. Notwithstanding whether the parties have selected "Buyer Pays At Delivery Point" or "Seller Pays Before and At Delivery Point" as indicated in the Base Contract, Buyer will pay to Seller the amount of GST payable for the purchase of Goods in addition to all other amounts payable under the Contract. Seller will hold the GST paid by Buyer and will remit such GST as required by law. Buyer and Seller will provide each other with the information required to make such GST remittance or claim any corresponding input tax credits, including GST registration numbers.

Add the following as Section 6.2:

SECTION 6. TAXES

All Gas delivered by Seller shall meet the pressure, quality and heat content requirements of the Receiving Transporter. The unit of quantity measurement for purposes of this Contract shall be one MBtu dry or one GJ, as agreed to by the parties in a transaction. Measurement of Gas quantities hereunder shall be in accordance with the established procedures of the Receiving Transporter.

Delete section 3 in its entirety and replace with:

### SECTION 3. QUALITY AND MEASUREMENT

Section 3-2 "Cover Standard" is amended by inserting "for all or any part of the Gas" between "sale" and "is" in the tenth line.

### **SECTION 3. PERFORMANCE OBLIGATION**

The definition of "Credit Support Obligation(s)" in Section 2.11 is amended by deleting "a margin agreement, a prepayment," and replacing "a security interest in an asset" with "a security interest in one or more assets".

Contract Price shall mean, if the Delivery Point is in the United States, the amount expressed in U.S. Dollars per Mbtu or, if the Delivery Point is in Canada, the amount expressed in Canadian Dollars per GJ, unless specified otherwise in a transaction, to be paid by Buyer to Seller for the purchase of Gas as agreed to by the parties in a transaction.

Replace the definition of "Contract Price" in Section 2.8 with the following:

Section 8.1 is amended by (a) adding the following to the end of the first sentence: " , and Seller agrees to indemnify Buyer, its officers, directors, employees, agents and legal representatives, and save each of them from all losses, liabilities or claims including reasonable attorney's fees and costs of court ("Claims"), from any and all persons, arising from or out of claims of title, personal injury or property damage from said Gas or harmlesss from all losses, liabilities or claims including reasonable attorney's fees and costs of court ("Claims"), from indemnify Buyer, its officers, directors, employees, agents and legal representatives, and save each of them from all losses, liabilities or claims including reasonable attorney's fees and costs of court ("Claims"), from any and all persons, arising from or out of claims of title, personal injury or property damage from said Gas or

## SECTION 8. TITLE, WARRANTY AND INDEMNITY

"For each transaction, all associated payments shall be made in the currency of the Contract Price for such transaction.

Add the following as Section 7.8:

"Unless the parties have elected on the Base Contract not to make this Section 7.7 applicable to this Contract, the parties shall net all undisputed amounts due and owing, and/or past due, in the same currency, arising under the Contract such that the party owing the greater amount shall make a single payment to the net amount to the other party in accordance with Section 7, provided that no payment required to be made pursuant to the terms of any Credit Support Obligation or pursuant to Section 7.3 shall be subject to netting under this Section."

Delete Section 7.7 in its entirety and replace with the following:

"Upon resolution of the billing dispute, any undepayable amount shall be paid or refunded with accrued interest at the rate specified in Section 7.5 for the period from the date such undepayable amount was due until paid."  
"If the involved party fails to remit the full amount payable when due, interest on the unpaid portion shall accrue from the date due until the date of payment at a rate equal to the lower of: (i) if the amount payable is in United States currency, the then-effective prime rate of interest published under "Money Rates" by The Wall Street Journal, plus two percent per annum; or (ii) the maximum lawful interest rate."  
"Interest is defined from time to time as the prime lending rate charged to its most worthy customers for Canadian currency commercial loans by The Toronto Dominion Bank, Main Branch, Calgary, Alberta, Canada, plus two percent per annum; or (iii) the maximum applicable lawful interest rate."

Delete Section 7.5 in its entirety and replace with the following:

"Upon resolution of the billing dispute, any undepayable amount shall be paid or refunded with accrued interest at the rate specified in Section 7.5 for the period from the date such undepayable amount was due until paid."

The following sentence is added to the end of Section 7.4:

"Non-payment of any amount disputed in good faith shall not constitute an Event of Default under this Contract with respect to either party."

The last sentence of Section 7.4 is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

In line 3 of Section 7.2, replace "next Business Day following" with "closest Business Day to."

The first sentence of Section 7.1 is amended by deleting "applicable" and inserting "payable by Buyer pursuant to the Contract" after "charges".

In the event that any amount becomes payable pursuant to the Contract as a result of a breach, modification or termination of the Contract, the amount payable shall be increased by any applicable Taxes or GST remittable by the recipient in respect of that amount.

## SECTION 7. BILLING, PAYMENT AND AUDIT

Add the following as Section 6.4:

6.3.3 Without limiting the generality of Section 8.1, Buyer indemnifies Seller for any GST, penalties and interest and warrenties contained in Section 6.3.1 or 6.3.2, or otherwise arising from application of GST to Gas delivered, represented and all other damages and costs of any nature arising from breach of the declarations, representations and warranties contained in Section 6.3.1 or 6.3.2, or otherwise arising from application of GST to Gas delivered for export from Canada.

EPA for billing purposes, and Buyer hereby declares, represents and warrants to Seller that Buyer intends to export such Gas by means of pipeline or other conduct in circumstances described in Section 6.3.1 (i) to (iii).

"As soon as practicable after a liquidation, Notice shall be given by the Non-Defaultering Party to the Net Settlement Amount, and whether the Net Settlement Amount is due to or due from the Defaultering Party. The Notice shall include a written statement explaining in reasonable detail the calculation of such amount, provided that failure to give such Notice shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the liquidation."

6. Delete Section 10.4 and replace it with the following:

"The Non-Defaultering Party shall use the Termination Currency Equivalent of any amount denominated in a currency other than the Termination Currency in performing any netting, aggregation or setoff required or permitted by Section 10.3.1 or 10.3.2."

5. Add the following as Section 10.3.4:

Section 10.3.3 is amended by deleting the last sentence in its entirety.

"The rate of interest used in calculating net present value shall be the lower of: (i) if the amount payable is in United States currency, the then-effective prime rate of interest published under "Money Rates" by The Wall Street Journal, plus two percent per annum; or, if the amount payable is in Canadian currency, the per annum rate of interest identified from time to time as the prime lending rate in Canada, plus two percent per annum; or (ii) the maximum applicable lawful interest rate."

3. Delete the last sentence of Section 10.3.1 under Early Termination Damages Apply and replace with the following:

(c) inserting the following before the period at the end of the section: "provided however, if the Event of Default is immediately prior to the occurrence of such event or circumstance as the Early Termination Date,"

(b) in (vii), deleting "48" and replacing it with "72"; and

(a) inserting a comma between the words "assignment" and "or" in the first line and between the words "arrangement" and "for" in the second line;

2. Section 10.2 is amended by:

"Adeluate Assurance of Performance" shall mean sufficient security in either of the following forms (as selected by Y in its sole discretion), and in the amount reasonably acceptable to X, or (b) a guarantee issued by an entity acceptable to X.

1. The second sentence of Section 10.1 is deleted and the following is inserted in lieu thereof:

## SECTION 10. FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY, DEFUALTS AND REMEDIES

Section 9.3 is amended by: (a) deleting "given" in the first line and replacing it with "deemed to be delivered"; b) adding "at nine a.m." after "been received" in the fourth line and "if such facsimile is received"; c) adding "at two p.m." after "been received" in the fifth line.

1. Section 9.1 is amended by inserting "notices" immediately after "payments".

## SECTION 9. NOTICES

3. Delete Section 8.3 in its entirety.

2. In Section 8.2, delete the last sentence.

Section 6, "at the beginning of the second sentence, (c) inserting "assume" before "liability" in the third sentence, and (d) adding the following to the end of the second sentence: ", and Buyer agrees to indemnify Seller, its officers, directors, employees, agents and legal representatives, and save each of them harmless from all claims, from any and all persons, arising from or out of claims regarding payment, personal injury or property damage from said Gas or other charges thereon which attach after title passes to Buyer."

"(v) to the extent deemed necessary or desirable by PSE for purposes of providing information regarding its gas supplies and economics to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission;

Section 14.10 is amended by: (a) adding a new clause "(iv)" after clause "(iii)" as follows and changing "(iv)" to "(v):

3. In line 3 of Section 14.10, add the words "officers or directors" after the word "employee" and add the words "or an Affiliate of the party" after the word "party".

2. "Each party to this Contract and that each person who executes this Contract on its behalf has the full and complete authority to do so."

1. The second sentence of Section 14.8 is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the words:

2. Section 14.7 is amended by inserting "other than each of the parties indemnified under Section 8.1" at the end of such sentence.

1. Section 14.1 is amended by replacing "approval" with "consent" in the sixth line.

## SECTION 14. MISCELLANEOUS

1. The fifth sentence of Section 13 is amended by deleting "UNLESS EXPRESSLY HERIN PROVIDED" and replacing it with "EXCEPT FOR ANY LIABILITY ARISING UNDER SECTION 8.1 AND, IF APPLICABLE, REPLICATING IT WITHIN THE AGREEMENT PROVISION".

3. Section 11.7 is amended by adding the following new Section 11.7:

11.7 If Seller's performance of its obligations to deliver Gas to all its firm customers is excused pursuant to this section 11, Seller shall proportion the available gas supply ratably among Buyer and other firm customers, to the maximum extent feasible, in the percentage proportion of the contract quantity due each customer compared to the aggregate contract quantity of Seller's firm Gas sales commitments at the time of the curtailment.

2. In Section 11.3, after "(iii)" include the words "unavailability of funds or other" before "economic hardship".

1. Section 11.1 is amended by a) inserting "and that such party is not able to avoid through reasonable diligence" at the end of the second sentence.

## SECTION 11. FORCE MAJEURE

8. Section 10.6 is amended by a) inserting "Except as otherwise provided in the Contract," at the beginning of the second sentence and b) deleting "other" wherever it appears in the second sentence.

7. Delete Section 10.5 and replace it with the following:

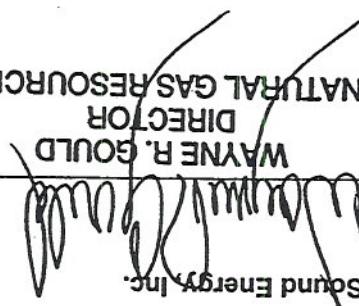
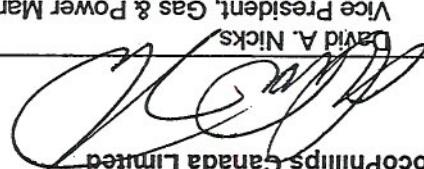
"The parties agree that the transactions hereunder constitute a "forward contract" within the meaning of the United States Bankruptcy Code and Seller are each "forward contract merchant" within the meaning of the United States Bankruptcy Code and Buyer and Seller are each "forward contract merchant" within the meaning of the Canadian Contractual Arrangements Act (Canada), and similar Canadian legislation."

6. Delete Section 10.5 and replace it with the following:

"Calgary, Alberta, Canada, plus two percent per annum; or (ii) the maximum applicable lawful interest rate." Worthy customers for Canadian currency commercial loans by The Toronto Dominion Bank, Main Branch, the per annum rate of interest identified from time to time as the prime lending rate charged to its most creditworthy customers for Canadian currency, the then-effective prime rate of interest published under "Money Rates" by The Wall Street Journal, plus two percent per annum; or, if the amount payable is in Canadian currency, the amount payable is in United States currency, the date due until the date of payment or interest of the Net Settlement Amount shall accrue from the date of payment at a rate equal to the lower of: (i) if the Net Notice, which date shall not be earlier than the Early Termination Date, interest on any unpaid portion of the Net Settlement Amount shall accrue from the date due until the date of payment or interest of the Net Settlement Amount payable by the Defaulting Party against the Non-Defaulting Party. The Net Settlement Amount shall be paid, in the Termination Currency, by the close of business on the second Business Day following such or give rise to any claim by the Defaulting Party against the Non-Defaulting Party. The Net Settlement Amount

B. OTHER PROVISIONS

1. This Agreement is subject to the rules, regulations, orders and other requirements, now or hereafter in effect, of all governmental and regulatory authorities having jurisdiction over this Agreement, PSE and/or ConocoPhillips. All laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, orders and other requirements, now or hereafter in effect, of governmental and regulatory authorities incorporated in this Agreement.
2. The parties to this Agreement agree that the disclaimer statement appearing at the bottom of the General Terms and Conditions is entirely for the benefit of the North American Energy Standards Board, Inc. and that as between the parties to this Agreement such disclaimer shall not affect the meaning, interpretation or construction of this Agreement.
3. The section headings contained in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not be used in any way to affect, interpret or constitute any of the provisions of this Agreement.

Puget Sound Energy, Inc.   
By **WAYNE R. GOULD** Date  
Title **DIRECTOR**  
By **NATURAL GAS RESOURCES** Date  
Title **VICE PRESIDENT, GAS & POWER MARKETING**  
By **DAVID A. NICKS** Date  
Title **VICE PRESIDENT, GAS & POWER MARKETING**  
  
ConocoPhillips Canada Limited [End Special Provisions]

ConocoPhillips Canada Limited and Puget Sound Energy, Inc.

between

dated August 1, 2004

for Sale and Purchase of Natural Gas (NAESB)

Address List to Base Contract

Puget Sound Energy, Inc.  
Invoices:

Puget Sound Energy, Inc.

Fax: 425-462-3175  
Bellevue, WA 98009-9734  
P.O. Box 97034 PS-E-11N  
Attention: Gas Accounting

P.O. Box 97034 PS-E-11N  
Bellevue, WA 98009-9734  
Attention: Gas Trading

P.O. Box 97034 PS-E-11N  
Bellevue, WA 98009-9734  
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Puget Sound Energy, Inc.  
By Check:  
Payments:

Puget Sound Energy, Inc.  
By Check:

Please reference invoice number on your check.

Federal Tax ID Number: 91-037-4630  
Duns # 00794-2113  
DA:

DA:

OB1: Gas Sales  
BNF: Puget Sound Energy, Inc.

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Please notify PSE's Treasury Dept. at (425) 462-3257 of the transfer date

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS

1. The parties have selected either the "Oral Transaction Procedure" or the "Written Transaction Procedure" as indicated on the Base Contract.

#### **SECTION 1. PURPOSE AND PROCEDURES**

# General Terms and Conditions Base Contract for Sale and Purchase of Natural Gas

- 2.4. "Business Day" shall mean any day except Saturday, Sunday or Federal Reserve Bank holidays.
- 2.5. "Confirm Deadline" shall mean 5:00 p.m. in the receiving party's time zone on the second Business Day following the Day a Transaction Confirmation is received or, if applicable, on the Business Day agreed to by the parties in the Base Contract, unless Transaction Confirmation is received after 5:00 p.m. in the receiving party's time zone, it shall be deemed received at the opening of the next Business Day.
- 2.6. "Confirming Party" shall mean the party designated in the Base Contract to prepare and forward Transaction Confirmations to the other party.
- 2.7. "Contract" shall mean the legally-binding relationship established by (i) the Base Contract, (ii) any and all binding Transactions and (iii) where the parties have entered into the Oral Transaction Procedure in Section 1.2 of the Base Contract, any and all transactions that the parties have entered into through an EDI transmission or by telephone, but that have not been confirmed in a binding Transaction Confirmation.
- 2.8. "Contract Price" shall mean the amount expressed in U.S. Dollars per MMBtu to be paid by Buyer to Seller for the purchase of Gas as agreed to by the parties in a transaction.
- 2.9. "Contract Quantity" shall mean the quantity of Gas to be delivered and taken as agreed to by the parties in a transaction.
- 2.10. "Cover Standard" as referred to in Section 3.2, shall mean that if there is an unexecuted failure to take or deliver any quantity of Gas pursuant to this Contract, then the performing party shall use commercially reasonable efforts to (i) if Seller is the performing party, obtain Gas, (or an alternate fuel if elected by Buyer and replacement Gas is not available), or (ii) if Buyer is the performing party, obtain Gas, in either case, at a price reasonable for the delivery of products Gas consumption needs or Seller's Gas sales requirements, as provided by the nonperforming party; the immediacy of the Buyer's Gas consumption needs or Seller's Gas sales requirements, as applicable, the quantities involved, and the anticipated length of failure by the nonperforming party.
- 2.11. "Credit Support Obligation(s)" shall mean any obligation(s) to provide or establish credit support for, or on behalf of, a party to this Contract such as an irrevocable standby letter of credit, a margin agreement, a security interest in an asset, a performance bond, guarantee, or other good and sufficient security of a continuing nature.
- 2.12. "Day" shall mean a period of 24 consecutive hours, consecutive with a "day" as defined by the Receiving Transporter in a particular transaction.
- 2.13. "Delivery Period" shall be the period during which deliveries are to be made as agreed to by the parties in a transaction.
- 2.14. "Delivery Point(s)" shall mean any such point(s) as are agreed to by the parties in a transaction.
- 2.15. "EDI" shall mean an electronic data interchange pursuant to an agreement entered into by the parties, specifically relating to communication of Transaction Confirmations under this Contract.
- 2.16. "EFP" shall mean the purchase of natural Gas as the "physical" side of an physical transaction involving gas futures contracts. EFP shall incorporate the meaning and remedies of "Firm", provided that a party's excuse for nonperformance of its obligations to deliver or receive Gas will be governed by the rules of the relevant futures exchange regulated under the Commodity Exchange Act.
- 2.17. "Firm" shall mean that either party may interrupt its performance without liability only to the extent that such performance is prevented for reasons of Force Majeure, provided, however, that during Force Majeure interruptions, the party invoking Force Majeure may be responsible for any imbalance, except such interruption party may be responsible for any imbalance Forces Majeure interruptions after its interruption is made to the transporter and until the transporter has notified the party causing the interruption that such performance is interrupted to its interruption after the notification.
- 2.18. "Gas" shall mean any mixture of hydrocarbons and/or fees, penalties, costs or charges (in cash or in kind) assessed by a Transporter for failure to satisfy the Transporter's balance and/or nomination requirements.
- 2.19. "Imbalance Charges" shall mean any imbalance and/or fees, penalties, costs or charges (in cash or in kind) assessed by a Transporter for failure to satisfy the Transporter's balance and/or nomination requirements.
- 2.20. "Interruptible" shall mean that either party may interrupt its performance at any time for any reason, whether or not caused by an event of Force Majeure, with no liability, except such interruption party may be responsible for any imbalance Forces Majeure interruptions after its interruption is made to the transporter and until the transporter has notified the party causing the interruption that such performance is interrupted to its interruption after the notification.
- 2.21. "MMBtu" shall mean one million British thermal units, which is equivalent to one dekatherm.
- 2.22. "Month" shall mean the period beginning on the first Day of the calendar month and ending immediately prior to the commencement of the next calendar month.
- 2.23. "Payment Date" shall mean the date, as indicated on the Base Contract, on or before which payment is due Seller for Gas received by Buyer in the previous Month.
- 2.24. "Receiving Transporter" shall mean the Transporter receiving Gas at a Delivery Point, or absent such receiving Transporter, the Transporter delivering Gas at a Delivery Point.
- 2.25. "Scheduled Gas" shall mean the quantity of Gas confirmed by Transporter(s) for movement, transportation or management.

shall give the other party timely prior Notice, giving it sufficient time to meet the deadlines of the selected Transporter(s). Each utilites of Gas to be delivered and purchased each Day. Should either party become aware that actual deliveries at the Delivery Point(s) are greater or lesser than the Scheduled Gas, such party shall promptly notify the other party.

transporting the Gas from the Gas Delivery Points(s). Buyer shall have the sole responsibility for carrying out some responsibility for transporting the Gas to the Delivery Point(s).

#### SECTION 4. TRANSPORTATION, NOMINATIONS, AND IMBALANCES

with regard to the parties may provide for a termination option in a transaction confirmed by both parties.

3.3. Notwithstanding Section 3.2, the parties may agree to Alternative Damages in a Transaction Confirmation executed in writing by both parties.

3.2. The sole and exclusive remedy of the parties in the event of a breach by Seller to Buyer or receive Gas shall be recovery of the following: (i) in the event of a breach by Seller on any Day(s), payment by Seller to Buyer in an amount equal to the difference between the Contract Quantity and the actual quantity delivered by Seller and received by Buyer to Seller in an amount equal to the difference between the Contract Price and the Spot Price for such Day(s); (ii) in the event of a breach by Seller to Buyer on any Day(s), payment by Seller to Buyer in an amount equal to the difference between the Contract Price and the Spot Price for such Day(s), multiplied by the positive difference, if any, obtained by Seller and received by Buyer for such Day(s); or (iii) in the event of a breach by Seller to Buyer on any Day(s), payment by Seller to Buyer in an amount equal to the difference between the Contract Price and the Spot Price for such Day(s), multiplied by the positive difference, if any, obtained by Seller and received by Buyer to Seller in an amount equal to the difference between the Contract Price and the Spot Price for such Day(s). In addition, Seller shall pay Buyer the amount of such unava

3.2. The sole and exclusive remedy of the parties in the event of a breach by Seller or any Day(s), payment by Seller to Buyer in an amount equal to the positive difference, if any, between the purchase price paid by Buyer utilizing the Cover Standard and the Contract Price, commensurately reasonable differences in transportation costs to or from the Delivery Point(s), multiplied by the difference between the Contract Quantity and the quantity actually delivered by Seller to Buyer to the amount equal to the positive difference of the quantity actually delivered by Seller for such Day(s); or (ii) in the event of a breach by Buyer in the amount equal to the positive difference of the quantity actually delivered by Seller for such Day(s); or (iii) in the event of a breach by Seller utilizing the Cover Standard and the Contract Price, if any, between the positive difference, if any, between the purchase price paid by Seller utilizing the Cover Standard and the Contract Price, adjusted for commerically reasonable differences in transportation costs to or from the Delivery Point(s), multiplied by the difference between the Contract Quantity and the quantity actually taken by Buyer for such Day(s); or (iv) in the event that Buyer has used commercially reasonable efforts to replace the Gas or Seller has used commercially reasonable efforts to sell the Gas to a third party, and no such replacement or sale is available, then the sole and exclusive remedy of the performing party shall be any unavoidable difference between the Contract Price and the Spot Price, adjusted such transportation to the applicable Delivery Point, multiplied by the difference between the Contract Quantity and the quantity actually delivered by Seller and received by Buyer for such Day(s). Imbalance Charges shall not be recovered under this Section 3.2, but Seller and/or Buyer shall be liable for presentation of the performing party's invoice, which shall set forth the basis upon which such amount was calculated.

The parties have selected either the "Cover Standard" or the "Spot Price Standard" as indicated on the Base Contract.

... seller agrees to sell and deliver, and buyer agrees to receive and purchase, the Contract Quantity for a particular transaction in accordance with the terms of the Contract. Sales and purchases will be on a Firm or Intermittent basis, as agreed to by the parties in a transaction.

### SECTION 3. PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES

transporter, transporting Gas for Seller or Buyer upstream or downstream, respectively, of the Delivery Point pursuant to a particular transaction.

Firm obligation to deliver Gas in the case of Seller or to receive Gas in the case of Buyer for a designated number of days during a period as specified on the applicable Transaction Confirmation.

2.27. "Transaction Confirmation" shall mean a document similar to the form of Exhibit A, setting forth the terms of a transaction formed pursuant to Section 1 for a particular Delivery Period.

following: (i) the price or range of prices is published for such Day, then the Spot Price shall be the average of the following: (ii) the price (determined as stated above) for the first Day for which a price or range of prices is published that follows the relevant Day; and (iii) the price (determined as stated above) for the first Day for which a price or range of prices is published that next precedes the relevant Day.

SECTION 7. BILLING, PAYMENT, AND AUDIT

SECTION 6. TAXES

All Gas determined by serial still meter the pressure, quality and heat content requirements of the Recieving Transporter. The unit of quantity measured for purposes of this Contract shall be one MMBtu dy. Measurement of Gas quantities hereunder shall be in accordance with the established procedures of the Recieving Transporter.

SECTION 3. QUALITY AND MEASUREMENT

4.3. The parties shall use commercially reasonable efforts to avoid imposition of any imbalance Charges. If Buyer or Seller receives an invoice from a Transporter that includes imbalance Charges, the parties shall determine the validity as well as the cause of such imbalance charges. If the imbalance Charges were incurred as a result of Seller's receipt of quantities of Gas greater than the Scheduled Gas, then Seller shall pay for such imbalance charges. If the imbalance Charges were incurred as a result of Seller's delivery of quantities of Gas less than the Scheduled Gas, then Seller shall pay for such imbalance charges or remit Buyer for such imbalance Charges paid by Buyer.

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10.2. In the event (each an "Event of Default") either Party ("Debtor") or its guarantor shall: (i) make an assignment of any general arrangement for the benefit of creditors; (ii) file a petition or otherwise commence proceedings, authorize, or acquiesce in the commencement of a proceeding, or cause under any bankruptcy or similar law for the protection of creditors or have such petition filed or proceed in any other manner; (iii) otherwise become bankrupt or insolvent (however evidenced); (iv) be unable to pay its debts as they fall due; (v) have a receiver, provisional liquidator, conservator, trustee or other similar officer appointed to it or substantially all of its assets; (vi) fail to perform any obligation to the other party with respect to the contract; (vii) fail to give adequate assurance of performance under Section 10.1 within 48 hours of receipt of notice to the other party; or (viii) not have paid any amount due the other party hereunder on or before the Business Day following written notice that such payment is due; then the other party ("Non-Debtoring Party") shall have the right, at its sole election, to immediately withhold and/or suspend deliveries or payments upon Notice and/or to terminate the transactions under the Contract, in the manner provided in Section 10.3, in addition to any and all other remedies available hereunder.

CLIQUE 10. FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

9.1. All Transactions, Communications, Innovations, Payments and other communications made pursuant to the Base Contract ("Notices") shall be made to the addressee specified in writing by the respective parties from time to time.

9.2. All Notices required hereunder may be sent by facsimile or mutually acceptable electronic means, a nationally recognized overnight courier service, first class mail or hand delivered.

9.3. Notice shall be given when received on a Business Day by the addressee. In the absence of proof of the actual receipt date, the following presumptions will apply. Notices sent by facsimile shall be deemed to have been received upon the sending party's receipt of its facsimile machine's confirmation of successful transmission. If the day on which such facsimile is received is not a Business Day or is after five p.m. on a Business Day, notice via first class mail shall be deemed to have been received on the next Business Day after it was sent or such earlier time as is confirmed by the receiving party. Notice via first class mail shall be considered delivered five Business Days after mailing.

SECTION 9. NOTICES

8.4. Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Section 8, as between Seller and Buyer, Seller will be liable for all Claims to the extent that such arises from the failure of Gas delivered by Seller to meet the quality requirements of Section 5.

FITNESS FOR ANY

8.2. Seller warrants that it will have the right to convey and will transfer good and merchantable title to all Gas sold hereunder and delivered by it to Buyer, free and clear of all liens, encumbrances, and claims. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION 8.2 AND IN SECTION 14.8, ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, ARE HEREBY DISCLAIMED.

10.3.3. If any obligation that is to be included in any netting aggregation or settlement pursuant to Section 10.3.2 is unascertained, the Non-Debating Party may in good faith estimate that obligation and net, aggregateable or not, as applicable, in respect of the estimate, subject to the Non-Debating Party accounting for any netting, aggregation or settlement, as the case may be, then due which is included in any netting, aggregation or settlement pursuant to Section 10.3.2 shall be discounted to net present value in a commercially reasonable manner determined by the Non-Debating Party.

SECTION 13. LIMITATIONS

This Contract may be terminated on 30 Days written Notice, but shall remain in effect until the expiration of the Latest Delivery Period of any transaction(s). The rights of either party pursuant to Section 76 and Section 10, the obligations to make payment hereunder, and the aggregation of either party to indemnify the other, pursuant hereto shall survive the termination of the Base Contract or any transaction.

SECTION 12. TERM

11.6. Notwithstanding Sections 112 and 113, the parties may agree to alternative Force Majeure provisions in a Transaction Confirmation executed in writing by both parties.

given orally, however, written Notice with reasonable full particulars of the event or occurrence is required as soon as reasonably possible. Initial Notice may be given orally, however, written Notice with reasonable full particulars of the event or occurrence is required as soon as reasonably possible. Initial Notice may be given orally, however, written Notice with reasonable full particulars of the event or occurrence is required as soon as reasonably possible.

<sup>11-7.</sup> Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Parties agree that the settlement of strikes, lockouts or other industrial disturbances shall be within the sole discretion of the Party experiencing such disturbance.

11.3. Neither party shall be entitled to the benefit of the provisions of Force Majeure if the extreme performance is affected by any or all of the following circumstances: (i) the contractual arrangement of interpublic or secondary firm transportation unless primarily in path, firm transportation is also curtailed; (ii) the party claiming excuse failed to remedy the condition and to resume the performance of such covenants or obligations within reasonable dispatch; or (iii) economic hardship, to include, without limitation, Seller's ability to sell Gas at a higher or more advantageous price than the Contract Price, Buyer's ability to purchase Gas at a lower or more advantageous price than the tract Price, or a regulatory agency disallowing, in whole or in part, the pass through of costs resulting from this Agreement than the buyer's market(s) or Buyer's inability to use or resell Gas purchased hereunder, except, in either case, as provided in Section 11.2, or (v) the loss of failure of Seller's gas supply or depletion of reserves, except, in either case, as provided in Section 11.2. The party claiming Force Majeure shall not be excused from its responsibility for imbalance charges.

11.2. Force Mageure shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- (i) physical events such as acts of God, landslides, lightning, earthquakes, fires, storms or storm warnings, such as hurricanes, which result in evacuation of the affected area, floods, washouts, explosions, breakage or accident or necessity of repairs to machinery or equipment of wells or lines of pipe; (ii) weather related events affecting an entire geographic region, such as low temperatures which cause freezing of wells or lines of pipe; (iii) interruption and/or curtailment of firm transportation and/or storage by Transports; (iv) acts of others such as strikes, lockouts or other industrial disturbances, riots, sabotage, insurrections or wars; and (v) governmental actions such as necessity for compliance with any court order, law, statute, ordinance, regulation, promulgated by a governmental authority having jurisdiction.

Seller and Buyer shall make reasonable efforts to avoid the adverse impacts of a Force Mageure and to resolve the event or occurrence in order to resume performance.

11.1. Except where otherwise agreed to by the parties obliging one to make payments(s) due under Section 7, Section 10A, and imbalance Charges under Section 4, neither party shall be liable to the other for failure to perform a Film obligation, to the extent such failure was caused by Force Majeure. The term "Force Majeure" as employed herein means any cause not reasonably within the control of the party claiming suspension, as further defined in Section 11.2.

SECTION 11. FORCE MAJEURE

107.: With respect to this Section 10, if the parties have executed a separate netting agreement inconsistent with close-out netting provisions, the terms and conditions therein shall prevail to the extent inconsistent therewith.

(c). The Non-Debtぬing Party's remedies under this Section 10 are the sole and exclusive remedies of the Non-Debtぬing Party with respect to the occurrence of any Early Termination Date. Each Party reserves to itself all other rights, setoffs, counterclaims and other defenses that it is or may be entitled to arising from the Contract.

Code; the parties agree that the transactions hereunder constitute a "forward contract" within the meaning of the United States Bankruptcy Code and that Buyer and Seller are each "forward contract merchants" within the meaning of the United States Bankruptcy Code and the meaning of the term "forward contract" under section 3(b)(1) of the Commodity Exchange Act.

Journal of Payments or a Rate equal to the lower of (i) the then-effective prime rate of interest published under "Money Rates" by The Wall Street Journal, plus two percent per annum; or (ii) the maximum applicable lawful interest rate.

**DISCLAIMER:** The purposes of this Contract are to facilitate trade, avoid misunderstandings and make more definite the terms of contracts of purchase and sale of natural gas. Further, NAEBS does not mandate the use of this Contract by any party. NAEBS DISCLAIMS AND EXCLUDES, AND ANY USER OF THIS CONTRACT AGREES TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND AGREE TO THIS CONTRACT, ANY AND ALL WARRANTIES, CONDITIONS OR REPRESENTATIONS, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, OR WRITTEN, WITH RESPECT TO THIS CONTRACT OR ANY PART THEREOF, INCLUDING ANY AND ALL IMPLICATED WARRANTIES OR CONDITIONS OF TITLE, NON-INFRINGEMENT, MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, OR ANY OTHER ALLEGED TO NAEBS BY ANY AND ALL MARRANTIES, CONDITIONS OR REPRESENTATIONS, WHETHER ALLEGED IN CONTRACT ALSO AGREES THAT UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL NAEBS BE LIABLE FOR ANY DIRECT, SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL OR DAMAGES ARISING OUT OF ANY USE OF THIS CONTRACT.

SECTION 14. MISCELLANEOUS

TO THE EXTENT THAT DAMAGES REQUIRED TO BE PAID HEREBY ARE LIQUIDATED, THE PARTIES ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE DAMAGES ARE DIFFICULT OR IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE, OR OTHERWISE OBTAINING AN ADEQUATE REMEDY IS CONVENIENT AND THE DAMAGES CALCULATED HEREBY UNDER CONSTITUTE A REASONABLE APPROXIMATION OF THE HARM OR LOSS.

IF THE FORERUNNING AGREEMENT REFLCTS THE MUTUAL AGREEMENT OF THE PARTIES HERETO, PLEASE EXECUTE THIS TRANSACTION CONFIRMATION AS INDICATED BELOW AND RETURN BY FAXCIMILE TO (403) 233.5426 PRIOR TO THE CONFIRMATION DEADLINE (OR TWO BUSINESS DAYS AFTER RECEIPT IF NOT INDICATED IN CONTRACT). IF NO OBJECTION IS RECEIVED IN WRITING BY CONOCOPHILLIPS PRIOR TO THE CONFIRMATION DEADLINE, IF NO INFORMATION IS RECEIVED IN WRITING BY CONOCOPHILLIPS PRIOR TO THE CONFIRMATION DEADLINE, THIS TRANSACTION SHALL BE BINDING UPON BOTH PARTIES.

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Deal Type:		Pipeline Name:		Delivery Period		Commenement Date:		Extract Quantity:	
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TRANSACTION CONFIRMATION FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY

EXHIBIT A