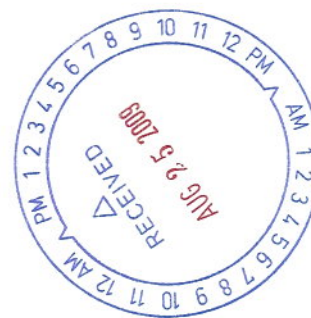




Puget Sound Energy, Inc.  
P.O. Box 97034  
Bellevue, WA 98009-9734

August 20, 2009



Office of Natural Gas Regulatory Activities  
U.S. Department of Energy  
Attn: Larine Moore, Docket Manager  
Forrestal Building, Docket Room 3E-042 (FE34)  
1000 Independence Avenue S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20585

**Re: Application of Puget Sound Energy, Inc. for Long-Term Authorization to Import and Export Natural Gas from and to Canada**  
**FE Docket No. 09-82-N6**

To Whom It May Concern:

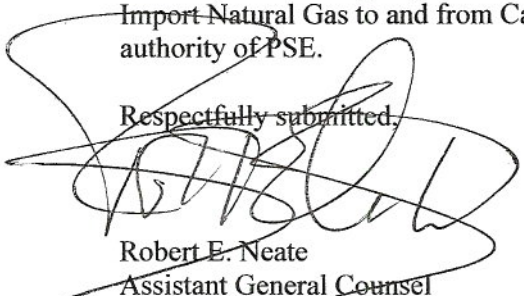
Pursuant to Section 3 of the Natural Gas Act of 1938 (15 U.S.C. § 717b), DOE Delegation Order Nos. 0204-111 and 2404-127, and the Regulations of the Department of Energy set forth in 10 C.F.R. Part 590, Puget Sound Energy, Inc. ("PSE") hereby submits for filing an original and three (3) copies of its Application for Long Term Authorization to Import and Export Natural Gas from and to Canada. In connection with this submittal, also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$50.00.

The undersigned has reviewed the following documents in regard to the within opinion:

- (1) The Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws of PSE, as amended;
- (2) Other documents deemed relevant for this opinion.

Based upon the foregoing, I am of the opinion that the Application of PSE for Authorization to Import Natural Gas to and from Canada is legal, proper and within the corporate powers and authority of PSE.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Robert E. Neate  
Assistant General Counsel  
Puget Sound Energy, Inc.

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cc: Mr. Clay Riding (w/encl.)



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
BEFORE THE  
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY  
OFFICE OF FOSSIL ENERGY

In the Matter of

Puget Sound Energy, Inc.

FE Docket No.

APPLICATION OF PUGET SOUND  
ENERGY, INC. FOR LONG-TERM  
AUTHORIZATION TO IMPORT AND  
EXPORT NATURAL GAS FROM AND  
TO CANADA

Pursuant to Section 3 of the Natural Gas Act of 1938 (15 U.S.C. §717b), DOE Delegation Order Nos. 0204-111 and 2404-127, and the Regulations of the Department of Energy set forth in 10 C.F.R. Part 590, Puget Sound Energy, Inc. ("PSE") hereby applies to the United States Department of Energy ("DOE") for a Long-Term Authorization to Import and Export Natural Gas to and from Canada.<sup>1</sup> PSE requests authorization to import and export a combined total of up to 10,000 MMBTU units of natural gas per day term beginning on November 1, 2009 and ending on March 31, 2012. Currently, these Canadian gas supplies are reported under PSE's existing Blanket Authorization DOE/FE Order No. 2444.

In support of this request, PSE shows the following:

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<sup>1</sup> PSE's Application for Blanket Authorization to Import Natural Gas from Canada in FE Docket No. 07-124-NG was granted on November 8, 2007.

## **I GENERAL**

The names, titles and mailing addresses of the persons to whom correspondence and communications in regard to this application are to be addressed are:

Puget Sound Energy, Inc.  
Attn: Robert E. Neate  
Assistant General Counsel  
P.O. Box 97034  
Bellevue, WA 98009-9734  
telephone: (425) 456-2444

Puget Sound Energy, Inc.  
Attn: Clay Riding, Director  
Natural Gas Resources  
P.O. Box 97034  
Bellevue, WA 98009-9734  
telephone: (425) 462-3179

## **II BACKGROUND**

The exact legal name of the applicant is Puget Sound Energy, Inc. Puget Sound Energy, Inc., ("PSE") is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Washington and is a subsidiary of Puget Energy, Inc. PSE is a public service company furnishing electric and natural gas service within a 6,000 square mile territory, principally in the Puget Sound region of western Washington. As of December 31, 2008, PSE provided electric service to 1,065,954 electric customers and 737,851 natural gas customers. PSE transports firm supply natural gas for its distribution operations on Northwest Pipeline Corporation ("Northwest"). PSE also receives significant quantities of firm storage service from Northwest.

## **III AUTHORIZATION REQUESTED**

Utilizing the Blanket Authorization issued in DOE/FE Order No. 2444, issued in FE Docket No. 07-124-NG (and previous Blanket Authorizations), PSE has purchased and imported interruptible short-term supplies of Canadian gas at the U.S.-Canadian border since 1991 and has exported short-term supplies of natural gas since 2002. PSE desires to continue



the authority to export natural gas to Canada because of enhanced storage and market opportunities to meet its business needs. Historically PSE has reported its transactions under this contract as part of its blanket authorizations.

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



granted without modification or delay. Because PSE's application is for the importation and exportation of natural gas from and to Canada, a nation with which the United States has a free trade agreement, PSE submits that its Application is within the public interest.

## V ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

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.

## VI REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

PSE agrees to file quarterly reports of its import and export activities pursuant to the extension of Authorization requested in this Application.

WHEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing premises, Puget Sound Energy, Inc. respectfully requests:

1. That the Assistant Secretary for Fossil Energy or his delegate find that the issuance of a Long-Term Authorization as requested in this Application to Import and Export Natural Gas from and to Canada pursuant to Section 3 of the Natural Gas Act is not inconsistent with the public interest;
2. That PSE be authorized to import a total quantity of 10,000 MMBTU units per day of natural gas from and to Canada; and

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 Canada as proposed in this application.

DATED: August 20, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

By 

Robert E. Neate  
Assistant General Counsel  
Puget Sound Energy, Inc.  
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Bellevue, WA 98009-9734

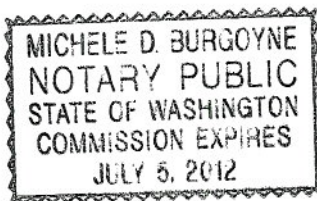
## VERIFICATION

STATE OF WASHINGTON           )  
COUNTY OF KING                 ) ss.

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

Robert E. Neate

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 20th day of August, 2009.



Print Name:

Notary Public in and for the State of Washington,  
residing at Shelton, WA

My commission expires: 7-5-2012



## SHELL ENERGY NORTH AMERICA (CANADA) INC.

Confirmation Date: 05/05/2009

Trade Date: 05/04/2009

Trader: Dave Resch

Commodity: Natural Gas

## CONFIRMATION

## PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.

Attention: Contract Administration

PSE-11N PO BOX 97034

BELLEVUE, WA, 98009-9734

Fax: 1(425) 462-3280

Deal #: 669697

Endur #: 3693164

Contract#: PUGETSND USD

This Confirmation is hereby made part of and subject to terms and conditions set forth in the agreement dated 01/01/2004 (the "Agreement") between PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC. ("Counterparty") and SHELL ENERGY NORTH AMERICA (CANADA) INC. ("Shell Energy"). Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Agreement.

Seller: Shell Energy North America (Canada) Inc.

Buyer: Puget Sound Energy, Inc.

Period of Delivery		Transporter/ Delivery Point(s)	Performance Obligation	Designated Daily Quantity
Start	End			
11/01/09 - 03/31/12		WEI, STATION 2	Firm	10000 MMBTU

## Contract Price:

11/01/09 - 03/31/12 (CANADIAN GAS PRICE REPORTER AECO MONTHLY MM US) USD/MMBTU -0.05 USD/MMBTU

## Special Provisions/Other Costs:

## Contract Price Description:

CG	MM US	The term CGPR AECO MONTHLY USD/MMBTU means the Alberta Spot Price - AECO C/ N.I.T. applicable for the month of delivery, in US\$/MMbtu, as published in the CGPR Monthly Canadian and U.S. natural gas price summary by Canadian Enerdata Ltd.
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Gas is delivered and received in the following order of priority on a daily aggregate volume: Fixed Price quantity (in consecutive order), Monthly Index quantity, Daily Index quantity.

Start and End: Period of twenty-four (24) consecutive hours, beginning at 9:00 a.m. CT (Central Time), whichever is then prevailing, on any Calendar Day or otherwise specified.

If the terms and conditions of this Confirmation as stated above accurately reflect the mutual agreement of the Parties hereto, please execute this Confirmation in the appropriate space provided below and return one (1) fully executed copy to SHELL ENERGY by 5:00 P.M. Calgary, Alberta time on the 2nd Business Day after the day on which this Confirmation has been received (the "Confirm Deadline"). If no objection to this Confirmation has been received in writing by the Confirming Party by the Confirm Deadline, this Confirmation shall be deemed to accurately reflect the mutual agreement of the Parties hereto and shall be binding and enforceable against Seller and Buyer, regardless of whether or not it has been executed by either Party.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.

SHELL ENERGY NORTH AMERICA (CANADA) INC.

Per:

Joseph P. Hoerner

Name/Title:

Manager

Date:

Portfolio Hedging 05.08.09

Per:

McPherson

Name/Title: Matilda Phelps - Senior Commercial Advisor

Date: May 5 2009

Please return signed confirmation to Fax: 403-216-3602

Questions and concerns can be directed to Contract Administration at:

Shell Energy North America (Canada) Inc. 3500, 450-1st Street S.W. Calgary, AB T2P 5H1 Phone: (403) 216-3600



# Base Contract for Sale and Purchase of Natural Gas

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

Coral Energy Canada Inc.  
3500, 450 1<sup>st</sup> Street SW Calgary, Alberta T2P 5H1  
Duns Number: 25-357-5609  
Contract Number:  
U.S. Federal Tax ID Number:

Notices:

3500, 450 – 1<sup>st</sup> Street S.W., Calgary, Alberta T2P 5H1  
Attn: Contract Administration  
Phone: (403) 216-3600 Fax: (403) 216-3601

Confirmations:

3500, 450 – 1<sup>st</sup> Street S.W., Calgary, Alberta T2P 5H1  
Attn: Contract Administration  
Phone: (403) 216-3600 Fax: (403) 216-3602

Invoices and Payments:

3500, 450 – 1<sup>st</sup> Street S.W., Calgary, Alberta T2P 5H1  
Attn: Gas Accounting  
Phone: (403) 216-3600 Fax: 403 716-3520

Wire Transfer or ACH Numbers (if applicable):

BANK: TD Bank - Bank #004 Calgary, Alberta  
ABA: Transit No: 80609  
ACCT: 0358692  
Beneficiary: Coral Energy Canada Inc.

and Puget Sound Energy, Inc.  
PO Box 97304 PSE-11N Bellevue, WA 98009-9734  
Duns Number: 00794-2113  
Contract Number:  
U.S. Federal Tax ID Number: 91-037-4630

PO Box 97304 PSE-11N Bellevue, WA 98009-9734  
Attn: Gas Trading  
Phone: (425) 462-3688 Fax: (425) 462-3175

PO Box 97304 PSE-11N Bellevue, WA 98009-9734  
Attn: Gas Trading  
Phone: (425) 462-3103 Fax: (425) 462-3836

PO Box 97304 PSE-11N Bellevue, WA 98009-9734  
Attn: Gas Accounting

Phone: Fax: (425) 462-3175

BANK: Key Bank  
ABA: 125000574  
ACCT: 479681024630  
Other Details: BNF Puget Sound Energy, Inc. 0B1: Gas Sales

This Base Contract incorporates by reference for all purposes the General Terms and Conditions for Sale and Purchase of Natural Gas published by the North American Energy Standards Board. The parties hereby agree to the following provisions offered in said General Terms and Conditions. In the event the parties fail to check a box, the specified default provision shall apply. Select only one box from each section:

<b>Section 1.2</b> Transaction Procedure <input type="checkbox"/> Oral (default) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Written	<b>Section 7.2</b> Payment Date <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 25 <sup>th</sup> Day of Month following Month of delivery (default) <input type="checkbox"/> _____ Day of Month following Month of delivery
<b>Section 2.5</b> Confirm Deadline <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 Business Days after receipt (default) <input type="checkbox"/> _____ Business Days after receipt	<b>Section 7.2</b> Method of Payment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wire transfer (default) <input type="checkbox"/> Automated Clearinghouse Credit (ACH) <input type="checkbox"/> Check
<b>Section 2.6</b> Confirming Party <input type="checkbox"/> Seller (default) <input type="checkbox"/> Buyer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Coral Energy Canada Inc.	<b>Section 7.7</b> Netting <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Netting applies (default) <input type="checkbox"/> Netting does not apply
<b>Section 3.2</b> Performance Obligation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cover Standard (default) <input type="checkbox"/> Spot Price Standard see Special Provisions 3.1	<b>Section 10.3.1</b> Early Termination Damages <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Early Termination Damages Apply (default) <input type="checkbox"/> Early Termination Damages Do Not Apply
<b>Note: The following Spot Price Publication applies to both of the immediately preceding.</b> <b>Section 2.26</b> Spot Price Publication <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gas Daily Midpoint (default) <input type="checkbox"/> _____	<b>Section 10.3.2</b> Other Agreement Setoffs <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Agreement Setoffs Apply (default) <input type="checkbox"/> Other Agreement Setoffs Do Not Apply
<b>Section 6</b> Taxes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Buyer Pays At and After Delivery Point (default) <input type="checkbox"/> Seller Pays Before and At Delivery Point	<b>Section 14.5</b> Choice Of Law _____ Alberta _____
<b>Section 14.10</b> Confidentiality <input type="checkbox"/> Confidentiality applies (default) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Confidentiality does not apply	

☒ **Special Provisions** Number of sheets attached: Special Provisions three (3) pages  
☒ **Addendum(s):** Canadian Addendum four (4) pages.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Base Contract in duplicate.

Coral Energy Canada Inc.  
Party Name

By ARNOLD C. MacBURNIE  
Name: Sr. Vice President, Origination  
Title:

Puget Sound Energy Inc.  
Party Name

By Wayne R. Gould  
Name: Wayne R. Gould  
Title: DIRECTOR



# General Terms and Conditions

## Base Contract for Sale and Purchase of Natural Gas

### SECTION 1. PURPOSE AND PROCEDURES

1.1. These General Terms and Conditions are intended to facilitate purchase and sale transactions of Gas on a Firm or Interruptible basis. "Buyer" refers to the party receiving Gas and "Seller" refers to the party delivering Gas. The entire agreement between the parties shall be the Contract as defined in Section 2.7.

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

#### **Oral Transaction Procedure:**

1.2. The parties will use the following Transaction Confirmation procedure. Any Gas purchase and sale transaction may be effectuated in an EDI transmission or telephone conversation with the offer and acceptance constituting the agreement of the parties. The parties shall be legally bound from the time they so agree to transaction terms and may each rely thereon. Any such transaction shall be considered a "writing" and to have been "signed". Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, the parties agree that Confirming Party shall, and the other party may, confirm a telephonic transaction by sending the other party a Transaction Confirmation by facsimile, EDI or mutually agreeable electronic means within three Business Days of a transaction covered by this Section 1.2 (Oral Transaction Procedure) provided that the failure to send a Transaction Confirmation shall not invalidate the oral agreement of the parties. Confirming Party adopts its confirming letterhead, or the like, as its signature on any Transaction Confirmation as the identification and authentication of Confirming Party. If the Transaction Confirmation contains any provisions other than those relating to the commercial terms of the transaction (i.e., price, quantity, performance obligation, delivery point, period of delivery and/or transportation conditions), which modify or supplement the Base Contract or General Terms and Conditions of this Contract (e.g., arbitration or additional representations and warranties), such provisions shall not be deemed to be accepted pursuant to Section 1.3 but must be expressly agreed to by both parties; provided that the foregoing shall not invalidate any transaction agreed to by the parties.

#### **Written Transaction Procedure:**

1.2. The parties will use the following Transaction Confirmation procedure. Should the parties come to an agreement regarding a Gas purchase and sale transaction for a particular Delivery Period, the Confirming Party shall, and the other party may, record that agreement on a Transaction Confirmation and communicate such Transaction Confirmation by facsimile, EDI or mutually agreeable electronic means, to the other party by the close of the Business Day following the date of agreement. The parties acknowledge that their agreement will not be binding until the exchange of nonconflicting Transaction Confirmations or the passage of the Confirm Deadline without objection from the receiving party, as provided in Section 1.3.

1.3. If a sending party's Transaction Confirmation is materially different from the receiving party's understanding of the agreement referred to in Section 1.2, such receiving party shall notify the sending party via facsimile, EDI or mutually agreeable electronic means by the Confirm Deadline, unless such receiving party has previously sent a Transaction Confirmation to the sending party. The failure of the receiving party to so notify the sending party in writing by the Confirm Deadline constitutes the receiving party's agreement to the terms of the transaction described in the sending party's Transaction Confirmation. If there are any material differences between timely sent Transaction Confirmations governing the same transaction, then neither Transaction Confirmation shall be binding until or unless such differences are resolved including the use of any evidence that clearly resolves the differences in the Transaction Confirmations. In the event of a conflict among the terms of (i) a binding Transaction Confirmation pursuant to Section 1.2, (ii) the oral agreement of the parties which may be evidenced by a recorded conversation, where the parties have selected the Oral Transaction Procedure of the Base Contract, (iii) the Base Contract, and (iv) these General Terms and Conditions, the terms of the documents shall govern in the priority listed in this sentence.

1.4. The parties agree that each party may electronically record all telephone conversations with respect to this Contract between their respective employees, without any special or further notice to the other party. Each party shall obtain any necessary consent of its agents and employees to such recording. Where the parties have selected the Oral Transaction Procedure in Section 1.2 of the Base Contract, the parties agree not to contest the validity or enforceability of telephonic recordings entered into in accordance with the requirements of this Base Contract. However, nothing herein shall be construed as a waiver of any objection to the admissibility of such evidence.

### SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS

The terms set forth below shall have the meaning ascribed to them below. Other terms are also defined elsewhere in the Contract and shall have the meanings ascribed to them herein.

2.1. "Alternative Damages" shall mean such damages, expressed in dollars or dollars per MMBtu, 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.

2.2. "Base Contract" shall mean a contract executed by the parties that incorporates these General Terms and Conditions by reference; that specifies the agreed selections of provisions contained herein; and that sets forth other information required herein and any Special Provisions and addendum(s) as identified on page one.

2.3. "British thermal unit" or "Btu" shall mean the International BTU, which is also called the Btu (IT).



- 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; provided, if the Transaction Confirmation is time stamped 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 Transaction Confirmations and (iii) where the parties have selected 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 unexcused 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 Buyer is the performing party, obtain Gas, (or an alternate fuel if elected by Buyer and replacement Gas is not available), or (ii) if Seller is the performing party, sell Gas, in either case, at a price reasonable for the delivery or production area, as applicable, consistent with: the amount of notice 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 prepayment, a security interest in an asset, a performance bond, guaranty, or other good and sufficient security of a continuing nature.
- 2.12. "Day" shall mean a period of 24 consecutive hours, coextensive 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 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 the communication of Transaction Confirmations under this Contract.
- 2.16. "EFP" shall mean the purchase, sale or exchange of natural Gas as the "physical" side of an exchange for 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 Charges as set forth in Section 4.3 related to its interruption after the nomination is made to the Transporter and until the change in deliveries and/or receipts is confirmed by the Transporter.
- 2.18. "Gas" shall mean any mixture of hydrocarbons and noncombustible gases in a gaseous state consisting primarily of methane.
- 2.19. "Imbalance Charges" shall mean any 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 interrupting party may be responsible for any Imbalance Charges as set forth in Section 4.3 related to its interruption after the nomination is made to the Transporter and until the change in deliveries and/or receipts is confirmed by Transporter.
- 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 first Day of the next calendar month.
- 2.23. "Payment Date" shall mean a 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.
- 2.26. "Spot Price" as referred to in Section 3.2 shall mean the price listed in the publication indicated on the Base Contract, under the listing applicable to the geographic location closest in proximity to the Delivery Point(s) for the relevant Day; provided, if there is no single price published for such location for such Day, but there is published a range of prices, then the Spot Price shall be the average



of such high and low prices. If no price or range of prices is published for such Day, then the Spot Price shall be the average of the following: (i) 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; and (ii) the price (determined as stated above) for the first Day for which a price or range of prices is published that next follows the relevant Day.

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.

2.28. "Termination Option" shall mean the option of either party to terminate a transaction in the event that the other party fails to perform a 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.

2.29. "Transporter(s)" shall mean all Gas gathering or pipeline companies, or local distribution companies, acting in the capacity of a transporter, transporting Gas for Seller or Buyer upstream or downstream, respectively, of the Delivery Point pursuant to a particular transaction.

### SECTION 3. PERFORMANCE OBLIGATION

3.1. 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 Interruptible basis, as agreed to by the parties in a transaction.

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

#### **Cover Standard:**

3.2. The sole and exclusive remedy of the parties in the event of a breach of a Firm obligation to deliver 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 positive difference, if any, between the purchase price paid by Buyer utilizing the Cover Standard and the Contract Price, adjusted for commercially 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 for such Day(s); or (ii) in the event of a breach by Buyer on any Day(s), payment by Buyer to Seller in the amount equal to the positive difference, if any, between the Contract Price and the price received by Seller utilizing the Cover Standard for the resale of such Gas, adjusted for commercially 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 (iii) 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 unfavorable difference between the Contract Price and the Spot Price, adjusted for 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 responsible for Imbalance Charges, if any, as provided in Section 4.3. The amount of such unfavorable difference shall be payable five Business Days after presentation of the performing party's invoice, which shall set forth the basis upon which such amount was calculated.

#### **Spot Price Standard:**

3.2. The sole and exclusive remedy of the parties in the event of a breach of a Firm obligation to deliver 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 for such Day(s), multiplied by the positive difference, if any, obtained by subtracting the Contract Price from the Spot Price; or (ii) in the event of a breach by Buyer on any Day(s), payment by Buyer to Seller in an amount equal to the difference between the Contract Quantity and the actual quantity delivered by Seller and received by Buyer for such Day(s), multiplied by the positive difference, if any, obtained by subtracting the applicable Spot Price from the Contract Price. Imbalance Charges shall not be recovered under this Section 3.2, but Seller and/or Buyer shall be responsible for Imbalance Charges, if any, as provided in Section 4.3. The amount of such unfavorable difference shall be payable five Business Days after presentation of the performing party's invoice, which shall set forth the basis upon which such amount was calculated.

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

3.4. In addition to Sections 3.2 and 3.3, the parties may provide for a Termination Option in a Transaction Confirmation executed in writing by both parties. The Transaction Confirmation containing the Termination Option will designate the length of nonperformance triggering the Termination Option and the procedures for exercise thereof, how damages for nonperformance will be compensated, and how liquidation costs will be calculated.

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

4.1. Seller shall have the sole responsibility for transporting the Gas to the Delivery Point(s). Buyer shall have the sole responsibility for transporting the Gas from the Delivery Point(s).

4.2. The parties shall coordinate their nomination activities, giving sufficient time to meet the deadlines of the affected Transporter(s). Each party shall give the other party timely prior Notice, sufficient to meet the requirements of all Transporter(s) involved in the transaction, of the quantities 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.



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 Buyer's receipt of quantities of Gas greater than or less than the Scheduled Gas, then Buyer shall pay for such Imbalance Charges or reimburse Seller for such Imbalance Charges paid by Seller. If the Imbalance Charges were incurred as a result of Seller's delivery of quantities of Gas greater than or less than the Scheduled Gas, then Seller shall pay for such Imbalance Charges or reimburse Buyer for such Imbalance Charges paid by Buyer.

## SECTION 5. QUALITY AND MEASUREMENT

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 MMBtu dry. Measurement of Gas quantities hereunder shall be in accordance with the established procedures of the Receiving Transporter.

## SECTION 6. TAXES

The parties have selected either "Buyer Pays At and After Delivery Point" or "Seller Pays Before and At Delivery Point" as indicated on the Base Contract.

### Buyer Pays At and After Delivery Point:

Seller shall pay or cause to be paid all taxes, fees, levies, penalties, licenses or charges imposed by any government authority ("Taxes") on or with respect to the Gas prior to the Delivery Point(s). Buyer shall pay or cause to be paid all Taxes on or with respect to the Gas at the Delivery Point(s) and all Taxes after the Delivery Point(s). If a party is required to remit or pay Taxes that are the other party's responsibility hereunder, the party responsible for such Taxes shall promptly reimburse the other party for such Taxes. Any party entitled to an exemption from any such Taxes or charges shall furnish the other party any necessary documentation thereof.

### Seller Pays Before and At Delivery Point:

Seller shall pay or cause to be paid all taxes, fees, levies, penalties, licenses or charges imposed by any government authority ("Taxes") on or with respect to the Gas prior to the Delivery Point(s) and all Taxes at the Delivery Point(s). Buyer shall pay or cause to be paid all Taxes on or with respect to the Gas after the Delivery Point(s). If a party is required to remit or pay Taxes that are the other party's responsibility hereunder, the party responsible for such Taxes shall promptly reimburse the other party for such Taxes. Any party entitled to an exemption from any such Taxes or charges shall furnish the other party any necessary documentation thereof.

## SECTION 7. BILLING, PAYMENT, AND AUDIT

7.1. Seller shall invoice Buyer for Gas delivered and received in the preceding Month and for any other applicable charges, providing supporting documentation acceptable in industry practice to support the amount charged. If the actual quantity delivered is not known by the billing date, billing will be prepared based on the quantity of Scheduled Gas. The invoiced quantity will then be adjusted to the actual quantity on the following Month's billing or as soon thereafter as actual delivery information is available.

7.2. Buyer shall remit the amount due under Section 7.1 in the manner specified in the Base Contract, in immediately available funds, on or before the later of the Payment Date or 10 Days after receipt of the invoice by Buyer; provided that if the Payment Date is not a Business Day, payment is due on the next Business Day following that date. In the event any payments are due Buyer hereunder, payment to Buyer shall be made in accordance with this Section 7.2.

7.3. In the event payments become due pursuant to Sections 3.2 or 3.3, the performing party may submit an invoice to the nonperforming party for an accelerated payment setting forth the basis upon which the invoiced amount was calculated. Payment from the nonperforming party will be due five Business Days after receipt of invoice.

7.4. If the invoiced party, in good faith, disputes the amount of any such invoice or any part thereof, such invoiced party will pay such amount as it concedes to be correct; provided, however, if the invoiced party disputes the amount due, it must provide supporting documentation acceptable in industry practice to support the amount paid or disputed. In the event the parties are unable to resolve such dispute, either party may pursue any remedy available at law or in equity to enforce its rights pursuant to this Section.

7.5. If the invoiced 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) 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.

7.6. A party shall have the right, at its own expense, upon reasonable Notice and at reasonable times, to examine and audit and to obtain copies of the relevant portion of the books, records, and telephone recordings of the other party only to the extent reasonably necessary to verify the accuracy of any statement, charge, payment, or computation made under the Contract. This right to examine, audit, and to obtain copies shall not be available with respect to proprietary information not directly relevant to transactions under this Contract. All invoices and billings shall be conclusively presumed final and accurate and all associated claims for under- or overpayments shall be deemed waived unless such invoices or billings are objected to in writing, with adequate explanation and/or documentation, within two years after the Month of Gas delivery. All retroactive adjustments under Section 7 shall be paid in full by the party owing payment within 30 Days of Notice and substantiation of such inaccuracy.

7.7. 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, arising under the Contract such that the party owing the greater amount shall make a single payment of 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. If the parties have executed a separate netting agreement, the terms and conditions therein shall prevail to the extent inconsistent herewith.



## SECTION 8. TITLE, WARRANTY, AND INDEMNITY

8.1. Unless otherwise specifically agreed, title to the Gas shall pass from Seller to Buyer at the Delivery Point(s). Seller shall have responsibility for and assume any liability with respect to the Gas prior to its delivery to Buyer at the specified Delivery Point(s). Buyer shall have responsibility for and any liability with respect to said Gas after its delivery to Buyer at the Delivery Point(s).

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 OF FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE, ARE DISCLAIMED.

8.3. Seller agrees to indemnify Buyer and save it harmless from all losses, liabilities or claims including reasonable attorneys' 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 other charges thereon which attach before title passes to Buyer. Buyer agrees to indemnify Seller and save it 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.

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 arise from the failure of Gas delivered by Seller to meet the quality requirements of Section 5.

## SECTION 9. NOTICES

9.1. All Transaction Confirmations, invoices, payments and other communications made pursuant to the Base Contract ("Notices") shall be made to the addresses 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, then such facsimile shall be deemed to have been received on the next following Business Day. Notice by overnight mail or courier 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 10. FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

10.1. If either party ("X") has reasonable grounds for insecurity regarding the performance of any obligation under this Contract (whether or not then due) by the other party ("Y") (including, without limitation, the occurrence of a material change in the creditworthiness of Y), X may demand Adequate Assurance of Performance. "Adequate Assurance of Performance" shall mean sufficient security in the form, amount and for the term reasonably acceptable to X, including, but not limited to, a standby irrevocable letter of credit, a prepayment, a security interest in an asset or a performance bond or guaranty (including the issuer of any such security).

10.2. In the event (each an "Event of Default") either party (the "Defaulting Party") or its guarantor shall: (i) make an assignment or any general arrangement for the benefit of creditors; (ii) file a petition or otherwise commence, authorize, or acquiesce in the commencement of a proceeding or case under any bankruptcy or similar law for the protection of creditors or have such petition filed or proceeding commenced against it; (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, custodian, trustee or other similar official appointed with respect to it or substantially all of its assets; (vi) fail to perform any obligation to the other party with respect to any Credit Support Obligations relating to the Contract; (vii) fail to give Adequate Assurance of Performance under Section 10.1 within 48 hours but at least one Business Day of a written request by the other party; or (viii) not have paid any amount due the other party hereunder on or before the second Business Day following written Notice that such payment is due; then the other party (the "Non-Defaulting Party") shall have the right, at its sole election, to immediately withhold and/or suspend deliveries or payments upon Notice and/or to terminate and liquidate the transactions under the Contract, in the manner provided in Section 10.3, in addition to any and all other remedies available hereunder.

10.3. If an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Non-Defaulting Party shall have the right, by Notice to the Defaulting Party, to designate a Day, no earlier than the Day such Notice is given and no later than 20 Days after such Notice is given, as an early termination date (the "Early Termination Date") for the liquidation and termination pursuant to Section 10.3.1 of all transactions under the Contract, each a "Terminated Transaction". On the Early Termination Date, all transactions will terminate, other than those transactions, if any, that may not be liquidated and terminated under applicable law or that are, in the reasonable opinion of the Non-Defaulting Party, commercially impracticable to liquidate and terminate ("Excluded Transactions"), which Excluded Transactions must be liquidated and terminated as soon thereafter as is reasonably practicable, and upon termination shall be a Terminated Transaction and be valued consistent with Section 10.3.1 below. With respect to each Excluded Transaction, its actual termination date shall be the Early Termination Date for purposes of Section 10.3.1.



The parties have selected either "Early Termination Damages Apply" or "Early Termination Damages Do Not Apply" as indicated on the Base Contract.

**Early Termination Damages Apply:**

10.3.1. As of the Early Termination Date, the Non-Defaulting Party shall determine, in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, (i) the amount owed (whether or not then due) by each party with respect to all Gas delivered and received between the parties under Terminated Transactions and Excluded Transactions on and before the Early Termination Date and all other applicable charges relating to such deliveries and receipts (including without limitation any amounts owed under Section 3.2), for which payment has not yet been made by the party that owes such payment under this Contract and (ii) the Market Value, as defined below, of each Terminated Transaction. The Non-Defaulting Party shall (x) liquidate and accelerate each Terminated Transaction at its Market Value, so that each amount equal to the difference between such Market Value and the Contract Value, as defined below, of such Terminated Transaction(s) shall be due to the Buyer under the Terminated Transaction(s) if such Market Value exceeds the Contract Value and to the Seller if the opposite is the case; and (y) where appropriate, discount each amount then due under clause (x) above to present value in a commercially reasonable manner as of the Early Termination Date (to take account of the period between the date of liquidation and the date on which such amount would have otherwise been due pursuant to the relevant Terminated Transactions).

For purposes of this Section 10.3.1, "Contract Value" means the amount of Gas remaining to be delivered or purchased under a transaction multiplied by the Contract Price, and "Market Value" means the amount of Gas remaining to be delivered or purchased under a transaction multiplied by the market price for a similar transaction at the Delivery Point determined by the Non-Defaulting Party in a commercially reasonable manner. To ascertain the Market Value, the Non-Defaulting Party may consider, among other valuations, any or all of the settlement prices of NYMEX Gas futures contracts, quotations from leading dealers in energy swap contracts or physical gas trading markets, similar sales or purchases and any other bona fide third-party offers, all adjusted for the length of the term and differences in transportation costs. A party shall not be required to enter into a replacement transaction(s) in order to determine the Market Value. Any extension(s) of the term of a transaction to which parties are not bound as of the Early Termination Date (including but not limited to "evergreen provisions") shall not be considered in determining Contract Values and Market Values. For the avoidance of doubt, any option pursuant to which one party has the right to extend the term of a transaction shall be considered in determining Contract Values and Market Values. The rate of interest used in calculating net present value shall be determined by the Non-Defaulting Party in a commercially reasonable manner.

**Early Termination Damages Do Not Apply:**

10.3.1. As of the Early Termination Date, the Non-Defaulting Party shall determine, in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, the amount owed (whether or not then due) by each party with respect to all Gas delivered and received between the parties under Terminated Transactions and Excluded Transactions on and before the Early Termination Date and all other applicable charges relating to such deliveries and receipts (including without limitation any amounts owed under Section 3.2), for which payment has not yet been made by the party that owes such payment under this Contract.

The parties have selected either "Other Agreement Setoffs Apply" or "Other Agreement Setoffs Do Not Apply" as indicated on the Base Contract.

**Other Agreement Setoffs Apply:**

10.3.2. The Non-Defaulting Party shall net or aggregate, as appropriate, any and all amounts owing between the parties under Section 10.3.1, so that all such amounts are netted or aggregated to a single liquidated amount payable by one party to the other (the "Net Settlement Amount"). At its sole option and without prior Notice to the Defaulting Party, the Non-Defaulting Party may setoff (i) any Net Settlement Amount owed to the Non-Defaulting Party against any margin or other collateral held by it in connection with any Credit Support Obligation relating to the Contract; or (ii) any Net Settlement Amount payable to the Defaulting Party against any amount(s) payable by the Defaulting Party to the Non-Defaulting Party under any other agreement or arrangement between the parties.

**Other Agreement Setoffs Do Not Apply:**

10.3.2. The Non-Defaulting Party shall net or aggregate, as appropriate, any and all amounts owing between the parties under Section 10.3.1, so that all such amounts are netted or aggregated to a single liquidated amount payable by one party to the other (the "Net Settlement Amount"). At its sole option and without prior Notice to the Defaulting Party, the Non-Defaulting Party may setoff any Net Settlement Amount owed to the Non-Defaulting Party against any margin or other collateral held by it in connection with any Credit Support Obligation relating to the Contract.

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

10.4. As soon as practicable after a liquidation, Notice shall be given by the Non-Defaulting Party to the Defaulting Party of the Net Settlement Amount, and whether the Net Settlement Amount is due to or due from the Non-Defaulting 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 or give rise to any claim by the Defaulting Party against the Non-Defaulting Party. The Net Settlement Amount shall be paid by the close of business on the second Business Day following such 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 at 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.

10.5. 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.

10.6. The Non-Defaulting Party's remedies under this Section 10 are the sole and exclusive remedies of the Non-Defaulting 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.

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

## SECTION 11. FORCE MAJEURE

11.1. Except with regard to a party's obligation to make payment(s) due under Section 7, Section 10.4, and Imbalance Charges under Section 4, neither party shall be liable to the other for failure to perform a Firm 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.

11.2. Force Majeure 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 or lines of pipe; (ii) weather related events affecting an entire geographic region, such as low temperatures which cause freezing or failure of wells or lines of pipe; (iii) interruption and/or curtailment of Firm transportation and/or storage by Transporters; (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, or policy having the effect of law promulgated by a governmental authority having jurisdiction. Seller and Buyer shall make reasonable efforts to avoid the adverse impacts of a Force Majeure and to resolve the event or occurrence once it has occurred in order to resume performance.

11.3. Neither party shall be entitled to the benefit of the provisions of Force Majeure to the extent performance is affected by any or all of the following circumstances: (i) the curtailment of interruptible or secondary Firm transportation unless primary, 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 with 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 Contract Price, or a regulatory agency disallowing, in whole or in part, the pass through of costs resulting from this Agreement; (iv) the loss of 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 or 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.

11.4. 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.

11.5. The party whose performance is prevented by Force Majeure must provide Notice to the other party. Initial Notice may be given orally; however, written Notice with reasonably full particulars of the event or occurrence is required as soon as reasonably possible. Upon providing written Notice of Force Majeure to the other party, the affected party will be relieved of its obligation, from the onset of the Force Majeure event, to make or accept delivery of Gas, as applicable, to the extent and for the duration of Force Majeure, and neither party shall be deemed to have failed in such obligations to the other during such occurrence or event.

11.6. Notwithstanding Sections 11.2 and 11.3, the parties may agree to alternative Force Majeure provisions in a Transaction Confirmation executed in writing by both parties.

## SECTION 12. TERM

This Contract may be terminated on 30 Day's 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 7.6 and Section 10, the obligations to make payment hereunder, and the obligation of either party to indemnify the other, pursuant hereto shall survive the termination of the Base Contract or any transaction.

## SECTION 13. LIMITATIONS

FOR BREACH OF ANY PROVISION FOR WHICH AN EXPRESS REMEDY OR MEASURE OF DAMAGES IS PROVIDED, SUCH EXPRESS REMEDY OR MEASURE OF DAMAGES SHALL BE THE SOLE AND EXCLUSIVE REMEDY. A PARTY'S LIABILITY HEREUNDER SHALL BE LIMITED AS SET FORTH IN SUCH PROVISION, AND ALL OTHER REMEDIES OR DAMAGES AT LAW OR IN EQUITY ARE WAIVED. IF NO REMEDY OR MEASURE OF DAMAGES IS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED HEREIN OR IN A TRANSACTION, A PARTY'S LIABILITY SHALL BE LIMITED TO DIRECT ACTUAL DAMAGES ONLY. SUCH DIRECT ACTUAL DAMAGES SHALL BE THE SOLE AND EXCLUSIVE REMEDY, AND ALL OTHER REMEDIES OR DAMAGES AT LAW OR IN EQUITY ARE WAIVED. UNLESS EXPRESSLY HEREIN PROVIDED, NEITHER PARTY SHALL BE LIABLE FOR CONSEQUENTIAL, INCIDENTAL, PUNITIVE, EXEMPLARY OR INDIRECT DAMAGES, LOST PROFITS OR OTHER BUSINESS INTERRUPTION DAMAGES, BY STATUTE, IN TORT OR CONTRACT, UNDER ANY INDEMNITY PROVISION OR OTHERWISE. IT IS THE INTENT OF THE PARTIES THAT THE LIMITATIONS HEREIN IMPOSED ON REMEDIES AND THE MEASURE OF DAMAGES BE WITHOUT REGARD TO THE CAUSE OR CAUSES RELATED THERETO, INCLUDING THE NEGLIGENCE OF ANY PARTY, WHETHER SUCH NEGLIGENCE BE SOLE, JOINT OR CONCURRENT, OR ACTIVE OR PASSIVE.



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

## SECTION 14. MISCELLANEOUS

14.1. This Contract shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the successors, assigns, personal representatives, and heirs of the respective parties hereto, and the covenants, conditions, rights and obligations of this Contract shall run for the full term of this Contract. No assignment of this Contract, in whole or in part, will be made without the prior written consent of the non-assigning party (and shall not relieve the assigning party from liability hereunder), which consent will not be unreasonably withheld or delayed; provided, either party may (i) transfer, sell, pledge, encumber, or assign this Contract or the accounts, revenues, or proceeds hereof in connection with any financing or other financial arrangements, or (ii) transfer its interest to any parent or affiliate by assignment, merger or otherwise without the prior approval of the other party. Upon any such assignment, transfer and assumption, the transferor shall remain principally liable for and shall not be relieved of or discharged from any obligations hereunder.

14.2. If any provision in this Contract is determined to be invalid, void or unenforceable by any court having jurisdiction, such determination shall not invalidate, void, or make unenforceable any other provision, agreement or covenant of this Contract.

14.3. No waiver of any breach of this Contract shall be held to be a waiver of any other or subsequent breach.

14.4. This Contract sets forth all understandings between the parties respecting each transaction subject hereto, and any prior contracts, understandings and representations, whether oral or written, relating to such transactions are merged into and superseded by this Contract and any effective transaction(s). This Contract may be amended only by a writing executed by both parties.

14.5. The interpretation and performance of this Contract shall be governed by the laws of the jurisdiction as indicated on the Base Contract, excluding, however, any conflict of laws rule which would apply the law of another jurisdiction.

14.6. This Contract and all provisions herein will be subject to all applicable and valid statutes, rules, orders and regulations of any governmental authority having jurisdiction over the parties, their facilities, or Gas supply, this Contract or transaction or any provisions thereof.

14.7. There is no third party beneficiary to this Contract.

14.8. Each party to this Contract represents and warrants that it has full and complete authority to enter into and perform this Contract. Each person who executes this Contract on behalf of either party represents and warrants that it has full and complete authority to do so and that such party will be bound thereby.

14.9. The headings and subheadings contained in this Contract are used solely for convenience and do not constitute a part of this Contract between the parties and shall not be used to construe or interpret the provisions of this Contract.

14.10. Unless the parties have elected on the Base Contract not to make this Section 14.10 applicable to this Contract, neither party shall disclose directly or indirectly without the prior written consent of the other party the terms of any transaction to a third party (other than the employees, lenders, royalty owners, counsel, accountants and other agents of the party, or prospective purchasers of all or substantially all of a party's assets or of any rights under this Contract, provided such persons shall have agreed to keep such terms confidential) except (i) in order to comply with any applicable law, order, regulation, or exchange rule, (ii) to the extent necessary for the enforcement of this Contract, (iii) to the extent necessary to implement any transaction, or (iv) to the extent such information is delivered to such third party for the sole purpose of calculating a published index. Each party shall notify the other party of any proceeding of which it is aware which may result in disclosure of the terms of any transaction (other than as permitted hereunder) and use reasonable efforts to prevent or limit the disclosure. The existence of this Contract is not subject to this confidentiality obligation. Subject to Section 13, the parties shall be entitled to all remedies available at law or in equity to enforce, or seek relief in connection with this confidentiality obligation. The terms of any transaction hereunder shall be kept confidential by the parties hereto for one year from the expiration of the transaction.

In the event that disclosure is required by a governmental body or applicable law, the party subject to such requirement may disclose the material terms of this Contract to the extent so required, but shall promptly notify the other party, prior to disclosure, and shall cooperate (consistent with the disclosing party's legal obligations) with the other party's efforts to obtain protective orders or similar restraints with respect to such disclosure at the expense of the other party.

14.11 The parties may agree to dispute resolution procedures in Special Provisions attached to the Base Contract or in a Transaction Confirmation executed in writing by both parties.

**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, NAESB does not mandate the use of this Contract by any party. **NAESB DISCLAIMS AND EXCLUDES, AND ANY USER OF THIS CONTRACT ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES TO NAESB'S DISCLAIMER OF, ANY AND ALL WARRANTIES, CONDITIONS OR REPRESENTATIONS, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, ORAL OR WRITTEN, WITH RESPECT TO THIS CONTRACT OR ANY PART THEREOF, INCLUDING ANY AND ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES OR CONDITIONS OF TITLE, NON-INFRINGEMENT, MERCHANTABILITY, OR FITNESS OR SUITABILITY FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE (WHETHER OR NOT NAESB KNOWS, HAS REASON TO KNOW, HAS BEEN ADVISED, OR IS OTHERWISE IN FACT AWARE OF ANY SUCH PURPOSE), WHETHER ALLEGED TO ARISE BY LAW, BY REASON OF CUSTOM OR USAGE IN THE TRADE, OR BY COURSE OF DEALING. EACH USER OF THIS CONTRACT ALSO AGREES THAT UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL NAESB BE LIABLE FOR ANY DIRECT, SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, EXEMPLARY, PUNITIVE OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES ARISING OUT OF ANY USE OF THIS CONTRACT.**



**TRANSACTION CONFIRMATION  
FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY**

**EXHIBIT A**

Letterhead/Logo	Date: _____, _____ Transaction Confirmation #: _____			
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<b>SELLER:</b> _____ _____ Attn: _____ Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Base Contract No. _____ Transporter: _____ Transporter Contract Number: _____	<b>BUYER:</b> _____ _____ Attn: _____ Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Base Contract No. _____ Transporter: _____ Transporter Contract Number: _____			
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<b>Delivery Point(s):</b> _____ (If a pooling point is used, list a specific geographic and pipeline location):				
<b>Special Conditions:</b>				
Seller: _____  By: _____  Title: _____  Date: _____	Buyer: _____  By: _____  Title: _____  Date: _____			

**EXHIBIT B**  
**Special Provisions to Base Contract**  
**for Sale and Purchase of Natural Gas (NAESB)**  
**dated January 1, 2004 between**  
**Coral Energy Canada Inc. and Puget Sound Energy, Inc.**

**Section 1.4** Delete the third sentence of Section 1.4 and insert the following sentence in its place: "The Confirming Party shall at its expense maintain equipment necessary to regularly record transactions; provided, the Confirming Party shall not be liable for any malfunction of equipment or the operation thereof in respect of any transaction WITHOUT REGARD TO THE CAUSE OR CAUSES RELATED THERETO, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THE NEGLIGENCE OF ANY PARTY, WHETHER SUCH NEGLIGENCE BE SOLE, JOINT OR CONCURRENT, OR ACTIVE OR PASSIVE. For those transactions documented by telephone recordings, no such transaction shall be vitiated should a malfunction occur in equipment regularly utilized for recording transactions or retaining any recorded transactions or the operation thereof, and in such event the transaction shall be evidenced by the written and computer records of the parties concerning the transaction made contemporaneously with the telephone conversation."

**Section 3.1** Add the following sentences to the end of this paragraph: "If a transaction is not designated as Interruptible or Firm, it shall be deemed to be Firm. Buyer and Seller agree that in the event of a breach of a Firm obligation to deliver or receive Gas, the non-breaching party may elect either the Spot Price Standard or the Cover Standard as its sole and exclusive remedy for such breach."

**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 3.5:** Add the following new Section 3.5 titled Fixed Price Election:

"If the parties enter into a Transaction with a Contract Price that is a fixed price based on the New York Mercantile Exchange ("NYMEX") natural gas futures contract ("Fixed Price") or otherwise as opposed to a Contract Price that floats based on NYMEX, industry postings, reference publications, or other external market factors or indices, for a specified quantity of Gas to be delivered at the Delivery Point for the relevant period, such Fixed Price shall not be subject to change and the corresponding quantities must be nominated by Buyer and shall be deemed to be the first gas purchased during the applicable Month. If a Fixed Price is established for a quantity of Gas in a particular Month that is less than the total quantity of Gas delivered and received in such Month, and/or if more than one Fixed Price for different quantities of Gas has been established in a particular Month, then the first Gas purchased during said Month shall be the first quantities for which a Fixed Price was established, followed by any additional quantities in the order they are purchased. If for any reason whatsoever, including without limitation, an event of Force Majeure or any other circumstance (other than a breach or default by either party under Section 3.2 hereunder), that would excuse a party's obligation to deliver or receive Gas under this Contract, Seller delivers, or Buyer takes, less than the full quantity of Gas required to be delivered, or taken, at a Fixed Price during any Month (a "Monthly Deficiency"), then (1) Buyer shall pay to Seller an amount equal to (a) such Monthly Deficiency (expressed in MMBtu's) multiplied by (b) the amount, if any, by which the Fixed Price exceeds the applicable Spot Price (as defined below) for such Month and (2) Seller shall pay to Buyer an amount equal to (a) such Monthly Deficiency (expressed in MMBtu's) multiplied by (b) the amount, if any, by which the applicable Spot Price exceeds the applicable Fixed Price. For purposes of this Section 3.5 only, "Spot Price" means the price specified in Gas Daily, under the listing applicable to the geographic location closest in proximity to the Delivery Point(s) as reported in the first publication for the Month in which such Monthly Deficiency occurred, as adjusted (up or down, as the case may be) by any incremental transportation costs or savings between the location of the applicable listing and the Delivery Point(s); provided that, if there is no single published price for such location, but there is a published range of prices, then the Spot Price shall be the simple average of the high and low prices. If the above publication ceases to be published during the term hereof, its successor publication shall be used or, if there is no successor, then the comparable monthly index published by Canadian Gas Price Reporter shall be substituted in replacement thereof."



**Section 5** Add the following sentences at the end of the paragraph: "BUYER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT HAS ENTERED INTO THIS BASE CONTRACT AND IS CONTRACTING FOR THE GAS TO BE SUPPLIED BY SELLER BASED SOLELY UPON THE EXPRESS REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES HEREIN AND, SUBJECT THERETO, ACCEPTS SUCH GAS "AS-IS" AND "WITH ALL FAULTS". SELLER EXPRESSLY NEGATES ANY OTHER REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY, WRITTEN OR ORAL, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, ANY REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY WITH RESPECT TO CONFORMITY TO MODELS OR SAMPLES, MERCHANTABILITY, OR FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE."

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

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

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

**Section 8.1** is amended by inserting "assume" before "any liability" in the third sentence.

**Section 8.3** is amended by a) inserting ", its officers, directors, employees, agents and legal representatives," after "Buyer" in the first line and after "Seller" in the third line and b) deleting "it" in the first and third lines and inserting "each of them" in lieu thereof.

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

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

"Adequate Assurance of Performance" shall mean sufficient security in any of the following forms, in an amount and for the term reasonably acceptable to X: a) standby irrevocable letter of credit in form and substance reasonably acceptable to X, b) a security interest in one or more assets reasonably acceptable to X, or guaranty (including the issuer of any such security) of a creditworthy entity, each in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to X.

**SECTION 10.2** Section 10.2 is amended by a) adding "of all or substantially all of its assets" after "assignment", and b) deleting the remainder of the sentence following "sole election," and replacing it with "in addition to any and all other remedies available hereunder, to either immediately (A) withhold and/or suspend deliveries or payment under the Contract, or (B) terminate the Contract and to terminate and liquidate all of the transactions under the contract in the manner provided for in Section 10.3."

**SECTION 10.3.1** Add the following sentence to the end of the 1st paragraph of Section 10.3.1: "If the determination pursuant to clauses (x) and (y) above of the difference between the Market Value(s) and Contract Value(s) of all the Terminated Transactions does not result in an amount being owed to the Non-Defaulting Party, it shall be deemed that such difference is zero."

**Section 10.6** is amended by deleting "other" wherever it appears in the second sentence.

**Section 11.1** In the first sentence, amend to read, "Except with regard to a party's obligation to make payment(s) due under Section 3.5, Section 7, Section 10.4, and Imbalance Charges under Section 4, neither party shall be liable to the other for failure to perform a Firm obligation, to the extent such failure was caused by Force Majeure."

**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 11.2** Include "and (vi) a claim of Force Majeure of the foregoing type by a third party supplying the Gas delivered or to be delivered hereunder."

**Section 13:** The fifth sentence of Section 13 is amended by deleting:

"UNLESS EXPRESSLY HEREIN PROVIDED" and replacing them with "EXCEPT FOR ANY LIABILITY ARISING UNDER SECTION 8.3 AND AS OTHERWISE SPECIFICALLY PROVIDED HEREIN" and deleting ", UNDER ANY INDEMNITY PROVISION".

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

**Section 14.7** is amended by inserting:

"other than each of the parties indemnified under Section 8.3 and solely with respect to Section 8.3" at the end of such sentence.


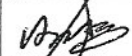
**Section 14.8** is deleted in its entirety and the following is inserted in lieu thereof:

Each party to this Contract represents and warrants that it has full and complete authority to enter into and perform this Contract and that each person who executes this Contract on its behalf has the full and complete authority to do so.

**Section 14.12** 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.

**Section 6.3.1** of the "Canadian Addendum" is amended by deleting "possible" in the fourth sentence and replacing it with "practicable"

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## Base Contract for Sale and Purchase of Natural Gas

### Canadian Addendum

This Canadian Addendum ("Canadian Addendum") is entered into as of the following date: January 1, 2004

The parties to this Canadian Addendum are the following:

Coral Energy Canada Inc.

3500, 450 – 1<sup>st</sup> Street S.W. Calgary Alberta T2P 5H1

Duns Number \_\_\_\_\_

and

Puget Sound Energy, Inc.

PO Box 97034 PSE-11N Bellevue, WA 98009-9734

Duns Number 00794-2113

Base Contract Number \_\_\_\_\_

Base Contract Date \_\_\_\_\_

U.S. Federal Tax ID Number \_\_\_\_\_

Canadian GST Number 890815491 RT \_\_\_\_\_

Base Contract Number \_\_\_\_\_

Base Contract Date \_\_\_\_\_

U.S. Federal Tax ID Number 91-037-4630

Canadian GST Number 874436728 RT 0001 \_\_\_\_\_

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto agree to the terms and conditions set forth herein and have executed this Canadian Addendum in duplicate.

Party Coral Energy Canada Inc.

By ARNOLD G. MacBURNIE

Name Sr. Vice President, Origination

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Party Puget Sound Energy, Inc.

By Wayne R. Gould

Name WAYNE R. GOULD

Title DIRECTOR

**Addendum:** This Canadian Addendum constitutes an Addendum to that certain Base Contract for Sale and Purchase of Natural Gas, as identified above, between the parties ("Base Contract"), and supplements and amends the Base Contract affecting transactions thereunder. Unless amended herein, the Base Contract continues to apply. Capitalized terms used in this Canadian Addendum which are not herein defined will have the meanings ascribed to them in the Base Contract. In the event of a conflict between the terms of this Canadian Addendum and the Base Contract, the terms of this Canadian Addendum shall apply.

**Term:** This Canadian Addendum shall be effective from and after the date on which it is entered into and continue in effect until terminated by either party upon 30 Days' written Notice to the other party; provided, however, that this Canadian Addendum may not be terminated prior to the expiration of the latest Delivery Period of any transactions previously agreed to by the parties which are subject to this Canadian Addendum. The obligation to make payment hereunder, including any related adjustments, shall survive the termination of this Canadian Addendum.

The parties hereby agree to the following provisions. In the event the parties fail to check a box, the default provision for each section shall apply. **Select only 1 box from each section:**

**Section 2.26: Spot Price Publication:** Delete the selection made on the cover page of the Base Contract and replace it with the following:

- ☒ Canadian Gas Price Reporter (default if the Delivery Point is in Canada)
- ☐ Gas Daily Midpoint (default if the Delivery Point is in the United States)
- ☐ \_\_\_\_\_

**Section 10.4: Termination Currency**

- ☐ U. S. Dollars (default)
- ☐ Canadian Dollars
- ☒ The currency of the original transaction

**Section 14.5: Choice of Law:** If a selection is made herein, delete the selection made on the cover page of the Base Contract and replace it with the following:

☐ \_\_\_\_\_

**Delete Section 2.1 and replace it with the following:**

2.1 "Alternative 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.

**Delete Section 2.4 and replace it with the following:**

2.4 "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. 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.

**Delete Section 2.8 and replace it with the following:**

2.8 "Contract Price" shall mean, if the Delivery Point is in the United States, the amount expressed in U.S. Dollars per MMBtu 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.

**Add the following as Section 2.30:**

2.30 "GJ" shall mean 1 gigajoule; 1 gigajoule = 1,000,000,000 Joules. The standard conversion factor between Dekatherms and GJ's is 1.055056 GJ's per Dekatherm.

**Add the following as Section 2.31:**

2.31 "Joule" shall mean the joule specified in the SI system of units.

**Add the following as Section 2.32:**

2.32 "Termination Currency Equivalent" shall mean, in respect of any amount denominated in a currency other than the Termination Currency (the "Other Currency"), the amount in the Termination Currency that the Non-Defaulting Party would be required to pay, on the Early Termination Date, to purchase such amount of Other Currency for spot delivery, as determined by the Non-Defaulting Party in a commercially reasonable manner.

**Delete Section 5 and replace it with the following:**

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 MMBtu 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.

**Add the following to Section 6:**

**Sections 6.2, 6.3 and 6.4 apply if the Delivery Point is in Canada.**

6.2 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 and After Delivery Point" or "Seller Pays Before and At Delivery Point" as indicated on the Base Contract, Buyer will pay to Seller the amount of GST payable for the purchase of Gas 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.

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

6.3.1 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 reasonably possible 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 natural gas liquids or ethane the consideration for which 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 reasonably necessary or incidental to its transportation and other than to recover natural gas liquids or ethane from such Gas at a straddle plant); (iv) maintain on file, and provide to Seller, if required, or to the Canada Customs and Revenue Agency, evidence satisfactory to the Minister of National Revenue of the export of such Gas by Buyer; and/or (v) comply with all other requirements prescribed by the ETA for a zero-rated export of such Gas.

6.3.2 Where Buyer is 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, and Buyer hereby declares, represents and warrants to Seller that Buyer intends to export such Gas by means of pipeline or other conduit in circumstances described in Section 6.3.1 (i) to (iii).

6.3.3 Without limiting the generality of Section 8.3, Buyer indemnifies Seller for any GST, penalties and interest 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 from application of GST to Gas declared, represented and warranted by Buyer to be acquired for export from Canada.



6.4 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.

**Delete Section 7.5 and replace it with the following:**

7.5 If the invoiced 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, if the amount payable is in Canadian currency, the per annum rate of interest identified from time to time as the prime lending rate charged to its most credit worthy customers for Canadian currency commercial loans by The Toronto Dominion Bank, Main Branch, Calgary, Alberta, Canada, plus two percent per annum; or (ii) the maximum applicable lawful interest rate.

**Delete Section 7.7 and replace it with the following:**

7.7 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 of 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. If the parties have executed a separate netting agreement, the terms and conditions therein shall prevail to the extent inconsistent herewith.

**Add the following as Section 7.8:**

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

**Add the following as Section 10.3.4:**

10.3.4 The Non-Defaulting 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.

**Delete Section 10.4 and replace it with the following:**

10.4. As soon as practicable after a liquidation, Notice shall be given by the Non-Defaulting Party to the Defaulting Party of the Net Settlement Amount, and whether the Net Settlement Amount is due to or due from the Non-Defaulting 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 or give rise to any claim 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 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 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, if the amount payable is in Canadian currency, the per annum rate of interest identified from time to time as the prime lending rate charged to its most credit worthy customers for Canadian currency commercial loans by The Toronto Dominion Bank, Main Branch, Calgary, Alberta, Canada, plus two percent per annum; or (ii) the maximum applicable lawful interest rate.

**Delete Section 10.5 and replace it with the following:**

10.5 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. The parties also agree that the transactions hereunder constitute an "eligible financial contract" within the meaning of the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act (Canada) and the Companies Creditors Arrangements Act (Canada), and similar Canadian legislation.

**Delete Exhibit A ("Transaction Confirmation") and replace it with the following:**



**TRANSACTION CONFIRMATION  
FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY**

**EXHIBIT A**

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This Transaction Confirmation is also subject to the Canadian Addendum between Seller and Buyer dated _____: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes (default) <input type="checkbox"/> No				
The terms of this Transaction Confirmation are binding unless disputed in writing within 2 Business Days of receipt unless otherwise specified in the Base Contract.				
<b>SELLER:</b> _____ _____ Attn: _____ Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Base Contract No. _____ Transporter: _____ Transporter Contract Number: _____	<b>BUYER:</b> _____ _____ Attn: _____ Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Base Contract No. _____ Transporter: _____ Transporter Contract Number: _____			
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<b>Canadian Export Zero Rating (Section 6.3):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> No (default) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes				
<b>Special Conditions:</b>				
Seller: _____ By: _____ Title: _____ Date: _____	Buyer: _____ By: _____ Title: _____ Date: _____			



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STATE OF WASHINGTON

**AMENDED AND RESTATED  
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.**

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 23B.10.070 of the Washington Business Corporation Act, Title 23B of the Revised Code of Washington, as amended (the "Washington Business Corporation Act"), Puget Sound Energy, Inc., a Washington corporation, hereby amends and restates its Articles of Incorporation. These Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation, as adopted by the sole shareholder of the corporation on February 6, 2009, supersede in the entirety the Restated Articles of Incorporation of the corporation dated January 5, 1988 and any amendments thereto.

**ARTICLE 1  
NAME**

The name of the corporation is Puget Sound Energy, Inc.

**ARTICLE 2  
PURPOSE**

The purposes for which the corporation is formed are as follows:

2.1 To engage in the electric utility business, including, but not limited to, the generation, purchase, interchange, transmission and sale of electricity and the furnishing of electric service generally, and to engage in any business or activity directly or indirectly related to the electric utility business.

2.2 To engage in the gas utility business, including, but not limited to, the manufacture, purchase, distribution and sale of gas and the furnishing of gas service generally, and to engage in any business or activity directly or indirectly related to the gas utility business.

2.3 To engage in the transportation business and any business or activity directly or indirectly related to the transportation of persons or property by any means of conveyance.

2.4 To engage in the real estate business, including, but not limited to, the purchase or other acquisition of real property and the subdividing, platting, development, improvement, use, sale or other disposition of real property or any interest therein and to engage in any business or activity directly or indirectly related to the real estate business.

2.5 To engage in any form of public service or utility business and any business or activity directly or indirectly related thereto.

2.6 To purchase or otherwise acquire, and to own, hold, use, mortgage, pledge or otherwise encumber, and to assign, sell, or otherwise dispose of, shares of stock or other securities of any kind whatsoever of any corporation or entity, and while the holder or owner thereof to exercise all of the rights of such holder or owner.



2.7 To borrow money with or without the giving of security of any kind or nature, and to execute and deliver notes, debentures, bonds and other evidences of indebtedness and to act as guarantor or surety, and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, to mortgage, pledge, hypothecate or otherwise encumber the whole or any portion of the property of the corporation, real, personal or mixed.

2.8 To engage in or transact any and all lawful business for which a corporation may be incorporated under the Washington Business Corporation Act.

2.9 In general, to do any or all of the things hereinbefore set forth, and such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the objects and purposes of the corporation, or any of them, in any place whatsoever, as principal, agent, or otherwise, either alone or in conjunction with any person, firm, association or corporation; and to do such acts and things and to exercise any and all such powers to the full extent authorized or permitted to be done or exercised by a corporation under any laws that may be now or hereafter applicable or available to the corporation.

2.10 The several clauses contained in this statement of purposes shall be construed as both purposes and powers and the statements contained in each clause shall be in no way limited or restricted by reference to or inference from the terms of any other clause, but shall be regarded as independent purposes and powers; and nothing contained in these purposes shall be deemed in any way to limit or exclude any power, right or privilege given to the corporation by law.

### **ARTICLE 3 DURATION**

The corporation has perpetual existence.

### **ARTICLE 4 REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT**

The address of the registered office of the corporation is 10885 NE 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Bellevue, Washington 98004 and the name of the registered agent at such address is Jennifer O'Connor.

### **ARTICLE 5 CAPITAL STOCK**

The total authorized shares of the corporation shall consist of One Hundred Fifty Million (150,000,000) shares of Common Stock with a par value of \$0.01 per share.

### **ARTICLE 6 PREEMPTIVE RIGHTS**

Shareholders of the corporation have no preemptive rights to acquire additional shares of stock or securities convertible into shares of stock issued by the corporation. Any and all shares of stock and securities convertible into shares of stock that may be issued at any time may, in whole or in part, be disposed of without having been offered to shareholders.



## ARTICLE 7 THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The corporation shall have a Board of Directors. The function and authority of the Board of Directors is limited by the shareholder, with certain matters reserved to the shareholder, pursuant to Section 23B.08.010 of the Washington Business Corporation Act, as set forth in these Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws of the corporation. The corporation's Bylaws, which are intended to be an "Agreement Among Shareholders" pursuant to Section 23B.07.320 of the Washington Business Corporation Act, set forth: (a) the qualifications of the directors; (b) the manner of the election, removal and replacement of the directors; (c) the manner of voting by the directors, including weighted voting rights and the use of proxies; and (d) the matters subject to a vote by the directors, among the directors, and by the shareholder.

## ARTICLE 8 INDEMNIFICATION

8.1 The corporation shall to the full extent permitted by the Washington Business Corporation Act now or hereafter in force indemnify all (a) directors, alternates or proxies for directors, observers to the Board of Directors, and officers of the corporation and (b) any person who is or was serving at the request of the corporation as an officer, manager, director, member, partner, agent, fiduciary or trustee of another person or entity (each such person listed in subsections (a) and (b) of this sentence, an "Indemnified Person"); provided that a person shall not be an Indemnified Person by reason of providing, on a fee-for-services basis, trustee, fiduciary, advisory or custodial services. However, such indemnity shall not apply on account of:

- (i) acts or omissions of the Indemnified Person finally adjudged to be intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law;
- (ii) conduct of the Indemnified Person finally adjudged to be in violation of Section 23B.08.310 of the Washington Business Corporation Act; or
- (iii) any transaction with respect to which it was finally adjudged that such Indemnified Person personally received a benefit in money, property, or services to which the Indemnified Person was not legally entitled.

The corporation shall indemnify and advance expenses for Indemnified Persons pursuant to the terms set forth in the Bylaws, or in a separate directors' resolution or contract with the Indemnified Person.

8.2 The Board of Directors may take such action as is necessary to carry out these indemnification and expense advancement provisions. The Board of Directors is expressly empowered to adopt, approve, and amend from time to time such Bylaws, resolutions, contracts, or further indemnification and expense advancement arrangements as may be permitted by law, implementing these provisions. Such Bylaws, resolutions, contracts or further arrangements shall include but not be limited to implementing the manner in which determinations as to any indemnity or advancement of expenses shall be made.



8.3 Any amendment, modification or repeal of this Article 8 or any provision hereof shall be prospective only and shall not in any way affect the limitations on the liability of the Indemnified Persons under this Article 8 as in effect immediately prior to such amendment, modification or repeal with respect to claims arising from or relating to matters occurring, in whole or in part, prior to such amendment, modification or repeal, regardless of when such claims may arise or be asserted, and provided such person became an Indemnified Person hereunder prior to such amendment, modification or repeal.

## ARTICLE 9 LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

9.1 No person who is or was an Indemnified Person shall be liable to the corporation, or any shareholder, in its capacity as such, or any other persons who have acquired interests in the corporation's securities, for any monetary damages, losses, claims, liabilities, joint or several, expenses (including legal fees and expenses), judgments, fines, penalties, interest, settlements or other amounts arising as a result of any act or omission of an Indemnified Person, or for any breach of contract or any breach of duties (including breach of fiduciary duties) whether arising at law, in equity or otherwise, provided, however, that such provisions shall not eliminate or limit the liability of an Indemnified Person for (a) acts or omissions that involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law by the Indemnified Person, (b) conduct of the Indemnified Person violating Section 23B.08.310 of the Washington Business Corporation Act, or (c) any transaction from which the Indemnified Person will personally receive a benefit in money, property, or services to which such Indemnified Person is not legally entitled.

9.2 If the Washington Business Corporation Act is amended to authorize corporate action further eliminating or limiting the personal liability of any Indemnified Person, then the liability of such Indemnified Person shall be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by the Washington Business Corporation Act, as so amended.

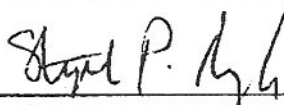
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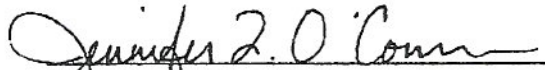
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, these Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation  
are adopted effective as of February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.



By: STEPHEN P. REYNOLDS

Its: PRESIDENT



By: JENNIFER O'CONNOR

Its: SECRETARY

**RESTATEMENT CERTIFICATE OF  
PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.**

Pursuant to the provisions of RCW 23B.10.070 of the Washington Business Corporation Act, the undersigned hereby certifies as follows:

1. I am the duly elected President of Puget Sound Energy, Inc. (the "Corporation"), and I am authorized to execute and deliver this Certificate on behalf of the Corporation.

2. The Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation (the "Amended and Restated Articles") amend the Restated Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation dated January 5, 1988, as amended, as in effect immediately prior to the filing of the Amended and Restated Articles (the "Prior Articles of Incorporation") in their entirety to read as set forth in the Amended and Restated Articles, attached hereto as Exhibit A.

3. The amendments provide for a change in the par value of the existing issued and outstanding shares of the Corporation's common stock. A new stock certificate representing all of the shares of common stock outstanding immediately following filing of the Amended and Restated Articles and reflecting the amended par value of such shares shall be issued to the sole shareholder in exchange for all of the outstanding shares of common stock as of immediately prior to the filing of the Amended and Restated Articles. The amendments delete in their entirety the preferred stock provisions of the Prior Articles of Incorporation. The previously outstanding shares of the Corporation's preferred stock have been irrevocably called for redemption and defeased prior to adoption by the sole shareholder of the amendments contained in the Amended and Restated Articles. Pursuant to the terms of Prior Articles of Incorporation, the rights, as shareholders, of the former holders of the Corporation's preferred stock terminated upon defeasance of their shares and deposit of the redemption payment amounts by the Corporation prior to the adoption of the Amended and Restated Articles, and the only right of the former holders is to receive the redemption price without interest. The preferred stock certificates will be cancelled on receipt and the underlying shares may not be reissued.

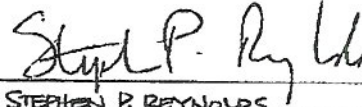
4. The amendments were duly adopted by the sole shareholder of the Corporation pursuant to a consent signed by the sole shareholder in accordance with the provisions of RCW 23B.10.030, RCW 23B.10.040, and RCW 23B.07.040, effective as of the 6th day of February, 2009.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Restatement  
Certificate effective as of February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Stephen P. Reynolds", is written over a horizontal line.

By: STEPHEN P. REYNOLDS

Its: PRESIDENT

**EXHIBIT A**  
**AMENDED AND RESTATED  
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.**

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 23B.10.070 of the Washington Business Corporation Act, Title 23B of the Revised Code of Washington, as amended (the "Washington Business Corporation Act"), Puget Sound Energy, Inc., a Washington corporation, hereby amends and restates its Articles of Incorporation. These Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation, as adopted by the sole shareholder of the corporation on February 6, 2009, supersede in the entirety the Restated Articles of Incorporation of the corporation dated January 5, 1988 and any amendments thereto.

**ARTICLE 1  
NAME**

The name of the corporation is Puget Sound Energy, Inc.

**ARTICLE 2  
PURPOSE**

The purposes for which the corporation is formed are as follows:

2.1 To engage in the electric utility business, including, but not limited to, the generation, purchase, interchange, transmission and sale of electricity and the furnishing of electric service generally, and to engage in any business or activity directly or indirectly related to the electric utility business.

2.2 To engage in the gas utility business, including, but not limited to, the manufacture, purchase, distribution and sale of gas and the furnishing of gas service generally, and to engage in any business or activity directly or indirectly related to the gas utility business.

2.3 To engage in the transportation business and any business or activity directly or indirectly related to the transportation of persons or property by any means of conveyance.

2.4 To engage in the real estate business, including, but not limited to, the purchase or other acquisition of real property and the subdividing, platting, development, improvement, use, sale or other disposition of real property or any interest therein and to engage in any business or activity directly or indirectly related to the real estate business.

2.5 To engage in any form of public service or utility business and any business or activity directly or indirectly related thereto.

2.6 To purchase or otherwise acquire, and to own, hold, use, mortgage, pledge or otherwise encumber, and to assign, sell, or otherwise dispose of, shares of stock or other



securities of any kind whatsoever of any corporation or entity, and while the holder or owner thereof to exercise all of the rights of such holder or owner.

2.7 To borrow money with or without the giving of security of any kind or nature, and to execute and deliver notes, debentures, bonds and other evidences of indebtedness and to act as guarantor or surety, and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, to mortgage, pledge, hypothecate or otherwise encumber the whole or any portion of the property of the corporation, real, personal or mixed.

2.8 To engage in or transact any and all lawful business for which a corporation may be incorporated under the Washington Business Corporation Act.

2.9 In general, to do any or all of the things hereinbefore set forth, and such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the objects and purposes of the corporation, or any of them, in any place whatsoever, as principal, agent, or otherwise, either alone or in conjunction with any person, firm, association or corporation; and to do such acts and things and to exercise any and all such powers to the full extent authorized or permitted to be done or exercised by a corporation under any laws that may be now or hereafter applicable or available to the corporation.

2.10 The several clauses contained in this statement of purposes shall be construed as both purposes and powers and the statements contained in each clause shall be in no way limited or restricted by reference to or inference from the terms of any other clause, but shall be regarded as independent purposes and powers; and nothing contained in these purposes shall be deemed in any way to limit or exclude any power, right or privilege given to the corporation by law.

### **ARTICLE 3 DURATION**

The corporation has perpetual existence.

### **ARTICLE 4 REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT**

The address of the registered office of the corporation is 10885 NE 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Bellevue, Washington 98004 and the name of the registered agent at such address is Jennifer O'Connor.

### **ARTICLE 5 CAPITAL STOCK**

The total authorized shares of the corporation shall consist of One Hundred Fifty Million (150,000,000) shares of Common Stock with a par value of \$0.01 per share.

### **ARTICLE 6 PREEMPTIVE RIGHTS**

Shareholders of the corporation have no preemptive rights to acquire additional shares of stock or securities convertible into shares of stock issued by the corporation. Any and all shares

of stock and securities convertible into shares of stock that may be issued at any time may, in whole or in part, be disposed of without having been offered to shareholders.

## ARTICLE 7 THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The corporation shall have a Board of Directors. The function and authority of the Board of Directors is limited by the shareholder, with certain matters reserved to the shareholder, pursuant to Section 23B.08.010 of the Washington Business Corporation Act, as set forth in these Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws of the corporation. The corporation's Bylaws, which are intended to be an "Agreement Among Shareholders" pursuant to Section 23B.07.320 of the Washington Business Corporation Act, set forth: (a) the qualifications of the directors; (b) the manner of the election, removal and replacement of the directors; (c) the manner of voting by the directors, including weighted voting rights and the use of proxies; and (d) the matters subject to a vote by the directors, among the directors, and by the shareholder.

## ARTICLE 8 INDEMNIFICATION

8.1 The corporation shall to the full extent permitted by the Washington Business Corporation Act now or hereafter in force indemnify all (a) directors, alternates or proxies for directors, observers to the Board of Directors, and officers of the corporation and (b) any person who is or was serving at the request of the corporation as an officer, manager, director, member, partner, agent, fiduciary or trustee of another person or entity (each such person listed in subsections (a) and (b) of this sentence, an "Indemnified Person"); provided that a person shall not be an Indemnified Person by reason of providing, on a fee-for-services basis, trustee, fiduciary, advisory or custodial services. However, such indemnity shall not apply on account of:

- (i) acts or omissions of the Indemnified Person finally adjudged to be intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law;
- (ii) conduct of the Indemnified Person finally adjudged to be in violation of Section 23B.08.310 of the Washington Business Corporation Act; or
- (iii) any transaction with respect to which it was finally adjudged that such Indemnified Person personally received a benefit in money, property, or services to which the Indemnified Person was not legally entitled.

The corporation shall indemnify and advance expenses for Indemnified Persons pursuant to the terms set forth in the Bylaws, or in a separate directors' resolution or contract with the Indemnified Person.

8.2 The Board of Directors may take such action as is necessary to carry out these indemnification and expense advancement provisions. The Board of Directors is expressly empowered to adopt, approve, and amend from time to time such Bylaws, resolutions, contracts, or further indemnification and expense advancement arrangements as may be permitted by law, implementing these provisions. Such Bylaws, resolutions, contracts or further arrangements



shall include but not be limited to implementing the manner in which determinations as to any indemnity or advancement of expenses shall be made.

8.3 Any amendment, modification or repeal of this Article 8 or any provision hereof shall be prospective only and shall not in any way affect the limitations on the liability of the Indemnified Persons under this Article 8 as in effect immediately prior to such amendment, modification or repeal with respect to claims arising from or relating to matters occurring, in whole or in part, prior to such amendment, modification or repeal, regardless of when such claims may arise or be asserted, and provided such person became an Indemnified Person hereunder prior to such amendment, modification or repeal.

## **ARTICLE 9 LIMITATION OF LIABILITY**

9.1 No person who is or was an Indemnified Person shall be liable to the corporation, or any shareholder, in its capacity as such, or any other persons who have acquired interests in the corporation's securities, for any monetary damages, losses, claims, liabilities, joint or several, expenses (including legal fees and expenses), judgments, fines, penalties, interest, settlements or other amounts arising as a result of any act or omission of an Indemnified Person, or for any breach of contract or any breach of duties (including breach of fiduciary duties) whether arising at law, in equity or otherwise, provided, however, that such provisions shall not eliminate or limit the liability of an Indemnified Person for (a) acts or omissions that involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law by the Indemnified Person, (b) conduct of the Indemnified Person violating Section 23B.08.310 of the Washington Business Corporation Act, or (c) any transaction from which the Indemnified Person will personally receive a benefit in money, property, or services to which such Indemnified Person is not legally entitled.

9.2 If the Washington Business Corporation Act is amended to authorize corporate action further eliminating or limiting the personal liability of any Indemnified Person, then the liability of such Indemnified Person shall be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by the Washington Business Corporation Act, as so amended.

9.3 Any amendment, modification or repeal of this Article 9 or any provision hereof shall be prospective only and shall not in any way affect the limitations on the liability of the Indemnified Persons under this Article 9 as in effect immediately prior to such amendment, modification or repeal with respect to claims arising from or relating to matters occurring, in whole or in part, prior to such amendment, modification or repeal, regardless of when such claims may arise or be asserted, and provided such person became an Indemnified Person hereunder prior to such amendment, modification or repeal.

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**AMENDED AND RESTATED BYLAWS  
OF  
PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.**

**ARTICLE I  
Definitions**

As used in these Bylaws, the following terms have the following meanings:

“Act” means the Washington Business Corporation Act, Title 23B of the Revised Code of Washington.

“Affiliate” means:

(a) with respect to any Person that is a Fund or holds Holdings Shares for a Fund, any other Person or Fund or Subsidiary of a Fund (other than a Fund that is, or is proposed to be, listed or quoted on an investment exchange with a purpose of effectively achieving an indirect listing or quotation of Holdings Shares) that is advised by, or the business, operations or assets of which are managed (whether solely or jointly with others) from time to time by, or whose parent is managed by, the manager or adviser of the Fund (or a Person that, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, Controls, is Controlled by, or is under common Control with, that manager or adviser); provided, however,

(i) the term “adviser” shall mean an entity that provides a Person with advice in relation to the management of investments of that Person, which, in the case of a Fund (other than in relation to actually making decisions to implement such advice), is substantially the same as the services that would be provided by a manager of the Fund and such adviser effectively forms part of the structure of the Fund, except that Padua MG Holdings LLC and its Affiliates will not be treated as an adviser of a Fund solely as a result of any services provided or agreed to be provided by Padua MG Holdings LLC or any of its Affiliates to the Fund under an agreement pursuant to which those services are to be provided solely in relation to an investment by the Fund in Holdings; and

(ii) the term “manager” with respect to any Fund shall mean any general partner, trustee, responsible entity, nominee, manager, adviser or other entity performing a similar function with respect to such Fund; and

(iii) no Person that is or holds Holdings Shares for a complying superannuation fund for the purposes of the Australian Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act 1996 shall be deemed to be an Affiliate of any Person that is or holds Shares for any other such Fund by reason of this definition.

(b) with respect to any Person that is not a Fund and does not hold Holdings Shares for a Fund, any other Person that, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, Controls, is Controlled by, or is under common Control with, such Person.



(c) for purposes of these Bylaws, the Macquarie Entities shall be deemed to be Affiliates and the entities comprising the Macquarie Group shall be deemed to be Affiliates.

"Allocated Free Percentage" means the Free Percentage contributed by a Holdings Member to appoint a Holdings Jointly Appointed Manager.

"Alternate" has the meaning set forth in Article III, Section 3(d).

"Articles of Incorporation" means the Company's Articles of Incorporation and all amendments as filed with the Washington Secretary of State.

"Bankruptcy Remote Independent Director" means a director who (a) is a resident of the State of Washington; (b) is not a member, shareholder, director (except as a director of the Company), manager, officer, or employee of Holdings or its Affiliates (including all direct and indirect subsidiaries of Holdings); and (c) if and to the extent required, meets any such other qualifications as may be required by any applicable regulatory authority for an independent director of the Company.

"Board" means the Board of Directors of the Company, as described in Article III.

"Board Supermajority Approval" means the affirmative vote or written consent of the Owner Directors representing at least eighty percent (80%) of the Holdings Shares plus the affirmative vote or written consent of at least one (1) Independent Director; provided, however, that if a Director is required to or does recuse himself from any vote or consent pursuant to Article III, Section 15(a) or (c), Board Supermajority Approval shall require, in lieu of the requisite supermajority percentage referred to above, the affirmative vote or written consent of the Owner Directors representing at least eighty percent (80%) of the Holdings Shares that may be voted by the Owner Directors that were not so required to and did not recuse themselves from such vote or consent. For purposes of any such vote or written consent, the Bankruptcy Remote Independent Director shall be considered an "Independent Director."

"Board Supermajority Matter" means each action or matter, any consent to or approval of which, pursuant to the provisions of these Bylaws, requires Board Supermajority Approval.

"Budget" means the budget of the Company as approved by the Board.

"Business Day" means any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday or a legal holiday recognized or declared as such by the government of the United States of America or the State of New York, on which banks are generally open for business in New York City.

"Business Plan" means the business plan of the Company as approved by the Board, the first year of which is the Budget.

"Cash" means cash or Cash Equivalents.

"Cash Equivalents" means (a) securities issued or directly and fully guaranteed or insured by the full faith and credit of the United States government, (b) certificates of deposits or bankers acceptances with maturities of one (1) year or less from institutions with at least \$1 billion in

capital and surplus and whose long-term debt is rated at least "A-1" by Moody's or the equivalent by Standard & Poor's and in each case maturing within one (1) year; and (c) investment funds investing at least ninety five percent (95%) of their assets in cash or assets of the types described in clauses (a) through (b) above.

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

"Company" means Puget Sound Energy, Inc., a Washington corporation.

"Company CEO" means the chief executive officer of the Company.

"Consent" means, with respect to any action or event, any approval, consent, ratification, license, permit or other authorization required to be issued, granted, given, or otherwise made available by or under the authority of any Person or Governmental Authority.

"Consumer Price Index" means the consumer price index for urban consumers for a representative basket of goods and services as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor or any successor index thereto as appropriately adjusted.

"Control" means the possession, direct or indirect, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a Person, whether through the ownership of securities, by contract or otherwise, which, for the avoidance of doubt, shall include through a Person's capacity as general partner, trustee, responsible entity, nominee, manager or adviser or otherwise.

"Director" means any member of the Board, as appointed by the Shareholder.

"Disposition" means a disposition, sale, assignment, transfer, exchange, pledge, or the grant of a security interest or other Encumbrance; and "Dispose," "Disposing" or "Disposition" have correlative meanings.

"Distributable Cash" means, with respect to any fiscal quarter, all Cash balances of the Company less an appropriate level of working capital, reserves and amounts necessary to meet objectives as included in the Business Plan and Budget, including compliance with regulatory requirements and covenants set forth in the Financing Documents.

"Effective Date" means February 6, 2009.

"Encumbrance" means any encumbrance of any kind (including any conditional sale or other title retention agreement, or any lease in the nature thereof), mortgage, charge (whether fixed or floating), lien, option, pledge, assignment, trust arrangement or other security interest of any kind and any agreement, whether conditional or otherwise, to create any of the foregoing.

"FERC" means the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

"Financing Documents" means, collectively, (a) the "Financing Documents", as defined in the Puget Energy Credit Agreement, (b) the "Financing Documents", as defined in the PSE Credit Agreement and (c) the "Financing Documents" as defined in each of the Puget



Intermediate Loan Agreements, and, in each case, all documents, certificates, agreements and other instruments relating thereto.

“Free Percentage” means any percentage of the Holdings Shares held by a Holdings Member that have not been otherwise used or allocated to appoint a Holdings Manager.

“Fund” means any unit trust, investment trust, investment company, limited partnership, general partnership or other collective investment scheme, pension fund, insurance company or any body corporate or other entity, in each case, the business, operations or assets of which are managed professionally for investment purposes.

“GAAP” means generally accepted accounting principles in the United States as in effect from time to time.

“Governmental Authority” means any federal, state, county, city, local or foreign governmental, administrative or regulatory authority, commission, committee, agency or body (including any court, tribunal or arbitral body).

“Holdings” means Puget Holdings LLC, a Delaware limited liability company.

“Holdings Board” means the Board of Managers of Holdings.

“Holdings Jointly Appointed Manager” means a Holdings Manager who was appointed by two or more Holdings Members by aggregating the Free Percentage owned by such Holdings Members.

“Holdings Managers” means the managers of Holdings.

“Holdings Members” means the members of Holdings.

“Holdings Owner Manager” means a Holdings Manager who has been designated an “Owner Manager”.

“Holdings Shares” the limited liability company interests in Holdings held by the Holdings Members.

“Indemnified Person” means (a) any Person who is or was a Director, an Alternate or a proxy for a Director, or an observer to the Board or an Officer and (b) any Person who is or was serving at the request of the Company as an officer, manager, director, member, partner, agent, fiduciary or trustee of another Person; provided that a Person shall not be an Indemnified Person by reason of providing, on a fee-for-services basis, trustee, fiduciary, advisory or custodial services.

“Independent Director” has the meaning set forth in Article III, Section 3(a)(ii).

“Interested Party” has the meaning set forth in Article III, Section 15(b).

“Jointly Appointed Director” has the meaning set forth in Article III, Section 3(b).

"Macquarie Entities" means MIP Padua Holdings, GP, MIP II Washington Holdings, L.P., MSAM as Trustee and manager of MFIT and Padua MG Holdings LLC and any of their respective Affiliates that are Holdings Members.

"Macquarie Group" means Macquarie Capital Group Limited and its Affiliates including Funds managed or advised by Macquarie Capital Group Limited and its Affiliates.

"Majority Approval" means the affirmative vote or written consent of the Owner Directors representing more than fifty five percent (55%) of the Holdings Shares: provided, however, that if a Director is required to or does recuse himself from any vote or consent pursuant to Article III, Section 15(a) or (c), Majority Approval shall mean the affirmative vote or written consent of the Owner Directors representing more than fifty five percent (55%) of the Holdings Shares that may be voted by the Owner Directors that were not so required to and did not recuse themselves from such vote or consent.

"Merger" means the merger pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger by and among Puget Intermediate, Puget Energy, Holdings, and the Company dated as of October 25, 2007.

"MFIT" means Macquarie FSS-Infrastructure Trust.

"MSAM" means Macquarie Specialised Asset Management Limited.

"Officer" means any Person designated as an officer of the Company pursuant to Article V.

"Owner Director" has the meaning set forth in Article III, Section 3(a)(iii).

"Person" includes any individual, corporation, association, partnership (general or limited), joint venture, trust, estate, limited liability company, joint stock company, Governmental Authority or other entity or organization of any kind or nature.

"PSE Credit Agreement" means that certain Credit Agreement entered into as of February 6, 2009, by and among the Company, Barclays Bank plc, as facility agent, and each lender from time to time party thereto, and any amendments, restatements, supplements, or other modifications thereto.

"Puget Energy" means Puget Energy, Inc., a Washington corporation.

"Puget Energy Credit Agreement" means that certain Credit Agreement entered into as of May 16, 2008, by and among Merger Sub, Barclays Bank plc, as facility agent, and each lender from time to time party thereto, and any amendments, restatements, supplements, or other modifications thereto.

"Puget Intermediate" means Puget Intermediate Holdings Inc., a Washington corporation.

"Puget Intermediate Loan Agreements" means, collectively (a) that certain Senior Secured Loan Agreement entered into as of February 5, 2009, between Puget Intermediate and MIP Padua Holdings, GP, (b) that certain Senior Secured Loan Agreement entered into as of



February 5, 2009, between Puget Intermediate and MIP II Washington Holdings, L.P., (c) that certain Senior Secured Loan Agreement entered into as of February 5, 2009, between Puget Intermediate and Trust Company Limited in its capacity as custodian and agent of MSAM in its capacity as Trustee and manager of MFIT, (d) that certain Senior Secured Loan Agreement entered into as of February 5, 2009, between Puget Intermediate and Padua MG Holdings LLC, (e) that certain Senior Secured Loan Agreement entered into as of February 5, 2009, between Puget Intermediate and CPP Investment Board (USRE II) Inc., (f) that certain Senior Secured Loan Agreement entered into as of 5, 2009, between Puget Intermediate and 6860141 Canada Inc. as Trustee for Padua Investment Trust, (g) that certain Senior Secured Loan Agreement entered into as of February 5, 2009, between Puget Intermediate and PIP2PX (Pad) Ltd. and (h) that certain Senior Secured Loan Agreement entered into as of February 5, 2009, between Puget Intermediate and PIP2GV (Pad) Ltd. and, in each case, all documents, certificates, agreements and other instruments relating thereto, including all such related new agreements entered into following the Effective Date, and, in each case, any amendments, restatements, supplements, or other modifications thereto.

"Puget Sound Energy Permitted Business" means the business conducted by the Company, either directly or indirectly through its Subsidiaries, as of the Effective Date, including the transmission, distribution, purchase and sale of electricity and gas, generation of electricity, ownership and operation of electric generating facilities, gas production and storage facilities, and electric and gas transmission and distribution facilities, and any and all related or ancillary activities that now or hereafter may be necessary, incidental, proper, advisable or convenient to accomplish its business.

"Share Certificate" has the meaning set forth in Article V, Section 2.

"Shareholder" has the meaning set forth in Article II, Section 1.

"Shareholder Approval Matters" has the meaning set forth in Article II, Section 10.

"Shares" means shares of the Company's Common Stock, par value of \$0.01 per Share.

"Subsidiary" means, as to any Person, each other Person in which such Person owns or Controls, directly or indirectly, capital stock or other equity interests representing more than fifty percent (50%) of the outstanding capital stock or other equity interests of such other Person or which is, at the time, owned or Controlled, directly or indirectly, by such Person and/or by one or more of such Person's Subsidiaries.

"Successor" means all Persons to whom all or any portion of the Shareholder's Shares is transferred either because of (a) the sale or gift by the Shareholder of all or any portion of its Shares or (b) an assignment of a Shareholder's Shares due to the Shareholder's liquidation.

"Transfer" means, in relation to any legal or beneficial interest in any Shares, to: (a) sell, assign, transfer or otherwise dispose of such interest; (b) create or permit to exist any Encumbrance over such interest; (c) direct (by way of renunciation or otherwise) that another Person should, or assign any right to, receive such interest; (d) enter into any agreement in respect of the votes or any other rights attached to the Shares other than by way of proxy for a

particular Board meeting; or (e) agree, whether or not subject to any condition precedent or subsequent, to do any of the foregoing.

“WUTC” means the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission.

“WUTC Order” has the meaning set forth in Article IX.

## **ARTICLE II**

### **Shareholder**

Section 1. *Shareholder.* It is anticipated that the Company will have a single shareholder, Puget Energy, Inc. (also referred to herein as the “Shareholder”). In the event there are additional shareholders, these Bylaws shall be revised prior to admission to reflect such additional shareholders.

Section 2. *Agreement among Shareholders.* These Bylaws are intended to be an “Agreement Among Shareholders” pursuant to Section 23B.07.320 of the Act and the Shareholder by adopting these Bylaws has taken such action as required by Section 23B.07.320 of the Act to establish the terms of such agreement. Because the provisions of these Bylaws regarding (a) the qualifications of the Directors, (b) the manner of election, removal and replacement of the Directors, (c) the manner of voting by the Directors, including weighted voting rights and the use of Alternates and proxies, and (d) the matters subject to a vote by the Directors, among the Directors, and by the Shareholder may conflict with the literal language of the Act, the provisions of these Bylaws should be viewed in a manner consistent with the intent of this agreement governing the exercise of corporate powers, the management of the business and affairs of the Company, the relationship between the Board and the Shareholder, and among the Directors.

Section 3. *Annual Meeting.* The annual meeting of the Shareholder shall be held on a date and time to be determined by the Board each year starting in 2009. The failure to hold an annual meeting at the time stated in these Bylaws does not affect the validity of any corporate action.

Section 4. *Special Meetings.* Except as otherwise provided by law, special meetings of the Shareholder shall be held whenever called by the Shareholder or any Owner Director who is also a Holdings Owner Manager representing 15% or more of the Holdings Shares.

Section 5. *Action by Written Consent.* The Shareholder may take any action without a meeting (including the annual meeting), by written consent, communicated by any means permitted by the Act, describing the action taken or by implementing action (including but not limited to execution of documents), effective as of the date of signature on behalf of the Shareholder or such other date as is set forth therein. Action taken by consent of the Shareholder is effective when the requisite consent has been executed by the Shareholder unless the consent specifies a later effective date.

Section 6. *Place of Meetings.* Meetings of the Shareholder shall be held at the Company’s principal place of business in Bellevue, Washington or such place within or without the State of Washington as determined by the Board pursuant to proper notice.



Section 7. *Notice.* Notice of each shareholder meeting stating the date, time, and place and, in case of a special meeting, the purpose(s) for which such meeting is called, shall be given by the Company not less than ten (10) (unless a greater period of notice is required by law in a particular case) nor more than sixty (60) days prior to the date of the meeting, to each shareholder of record entitled to vote at such meeting unless required by law to send notice to all shareholders (regardless of whether or not such shareholders are entitled to vote), which notice may be given in any manner and by any means permitted under the Act.

Section 8. *Waiver of Notice.* The Shareholder may waive any notice required to be given by these Bylaws, or the Articles of Incorporation of the Company, or any of the corporate laws of the State of Washington, before or after the meeting that is the subject of such notice. A valid waiver is created by any of the following three methods: (a) by transmission of a record in a form permitted by the Act, (b) by attendance at the meeting, unless the Shareholder at the beginning of the meeting objects to holding the meeting or transacting business at the meeting, or (c) by failure to object at the time of presentation of a matter not within the purpose or purposes described in the meeting notice.

Section 9. *Proxies.* The Shareholder, as the shareholder of record, may vote at any meeting either in person or by proxy executed in any manner permitted under the Act. A proxy is effective when received by the person authorized to tabulate votes for the Company, subject to the requirements of the Act. The proxy is valid for the period provided in such proxy.

Section 10. *Shareholder Approval Matters.* Without obtaining the approval of the Shareholder, the Company shall not take, or agree to take, any of the following actions (each a "Shareholder Approval Matter"):

(a) any alteration or amendment of the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws, or any governing document of any Subsidiary of the Company;

(b) any variation, creation, increase, reorganization, consolidation, sub-division, conversion, reduction, redemption, repurchase, redesignation or other alteration of the Shares or any other equity securities of the Company or the variation, modification, abrogation or grant of any rights attaching to any such Shares or equity securities (including the adoption of any option plan), directly or in conjunction with any contract with any third party in relation to financing or otherwise;

(c) the entry into or creation by the Company of any agreement, arrangement or obligation requiring the creation, allotment, issue, Transfer, redemption or repayment of, or the grant to a Person of the right (conditional or not) to require the creation, allotment, issue, Transfer, redemption or repayment of, any Shares or any other equity securities (including, without limitation, an option to acquire Shares or any other equity securities or any rights of pre-emption or conversion with respect to any Share or equity securities);

(d) any change in (including cessation of) the business of a Puget Sound Energy Permitted Business, other than any such changes contemplated in a duly approved Business Plan;

(e) the entry into of any contract or the taking of any action, which, in either case, (i) is reasonably likely to constitute an event of default under the terms of any Financing

Document, or (ii) would cause the aggregate consolidated debt of Puget Energy and its Subsidiaries to exceed 0.9x (rate base plus construction work in progress) at the end of any calendar year;

(f) any Initial Public Offering or any direct or indirect merger, consolidation, recapitalization or reorganization or similar transaction involving the Company or any of its material Subsidiaries (other than those effected for internal reorganization purposes);

(g) any acquisition or Disposition of Shares or any other equity securities of the Company or assets of the Company (including any equity securities in any of the Subsidiaries of the Company), in each case, representing more than ten percent (10%) of the enterprise value of the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken together, at the time of such acquisition or Disposition (enterprise value will be calculated giving effect to any "control premium" to be paid in any such acquisition or Disposition);

(h) making any election, claim, disclaimer, surrender or consent for tax purposes that may have a material and adverse effect on the Shareholder;

(i) approving the filling of any vacancy on the Board resulting from the failure of the Board to reelect an incumbent Independent Director pursuant to Article III, Section 3 at the end of his or her term or the resignation or incapacity of an Independent Director or Bankruptcy Remote Independent Director;

(j) a change in the tax classification of the Company for U.S. federal income tax purposes;

(k) dissolution of the Company;

(l) to the fullest extent permitted by law, and to the extent not inconsistent with applicable regulatory requirements, any of the following actions:

(i) commencement of a voluntary case under, or consent to the entry of a decree or order for relief in an involuntary case under, any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium, or other similar law in effect as of the Effective Date or thereafter;

(ii) consent to the appointment of, or taking possession by, a receiver, conservator, custodian, liquidator, assignee, trustee or sequestrator (or other similar official), whether as to the Company or any substantial part of its properties;

(iii) the making of a general assignment for the benefit of creditors;

(iv) the making or issuance of a statement in writing that the Company is unable to pay its debts as they become due in the ordinary course of business;

(v) adoption of a resolution in furtherance of any of the foregoing; and

(vi) commencement of a case or proceeding against the Company in a court of competent jurisdiction seeking (A) a decree or an order for relief in respect of the



Company under any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium, or other similar law now or hereafter in effect, (B) the appointment of a receiver, conservator, custodian, liquidator, assignee, trustee or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Company or of any substantial part of its properties or (C) the ordering of the winding up or liquidation of the Company's affairs, and (in the case of this clause (vi)) allowing the continuance of such case or proceeding to be unstayed and in effect for a period of sixty (60) days or more; or

(m) be a party to any merger or consolidation or sell, transfer, assign, convey or lease any substantial part of the assets of the Company, or directly or indirectly purchase or otherwise acquire all or substantially all of the assets or any stock of any class of any corporation, partnership, joint venture or any other entity.

In the event that any Shareholder Approval Matter is approved by the Shareholder the Board shall cause the Company to take, and the Company shall cause its Subsidiaries to take, any and all actions as are reasonably necessary to effect the action or decision so approved.

Section 11. *Waiver of Certain Duties; Other Business; No Recourse.* (a) Subject to the requirements of Article III, Section 15, the Shareholder and each member, limited or general partner thereof, each member, limited or general partner of each such member, limited or general partner and each of their Affiliates, officers, directors, shareholders, employees and agents (other than any person who is a full time officer or employee of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries) may engage in or possess an interest in any other business venture of any nature or description (including any business venture that is the same or similar to that of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries), on its own account, or in partnership with, or as an employee, officer, director or shareholder of any other Person. The Shareholder and each member, limited or general partner thereof, each member, limited or general partner of each such member, limited or general partner and each of their Affiliates, officers, directors, shareholders, employees and agents may (other than any person who is a full time officer or employee of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries) (i) engage in, and shall have no duty to refrain from engaging in, separate businesses or activities from the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, including businesses or activities that are the same or similar to, or compete directly or indirectly with, those of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries and (ii) do business with any potential or actual customer or supplier of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries.

(b) Subject to the requirements of Article III, Section 15 and except with respect to any Puget Sound Energy Permitted Business in Washington State that is presented to the Shareholder or a Director in its capacity as a Director of the Company, the Shareholder, and none of the Directors (other than the Company CEO) nor any of their respective Affiliates shall have any obligation to present any business opportunity to the Company or any of its subsidiaries, even if the opportunity is one that the Company or any of its subsidiaries might reasonably be deemed to have pursued or had the ability or desire to pursue if granted the opportunity to do so, and no such Person shall be liable to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or the Shareholder or any Director for breach of any fiduciary or other duty, as a Shareholder or Director, by reason of the fact that such Person pursues or acquires such business opportunity, directs such business opportunity to another Person or fails to present such business opportunity, or information regarding such business opportunity, to the Company or any of its Subsidiaries.

(c) Notwithstanding anything that may be expressed or implied in these Bylaws, and to the fullest extent permitted by law, each of the Company and the Shareholder covenants, agrees and acknowledges that no Person other than the Company and the Shareholder and any assignee of the Shareholder shall have any obligations hereunder. No recourse hereunder or under any documents or instruments delivered in connection herewith or in connection with these Bylaws shall be had against any former, current or future director, officer, trustee, employee, agent, limited partner, manager, member, stockholder, Affiliate or assignee of the Shareholder or any former, current or future director, officer, trustee, employee, agent, limited partner, manager, member, stockholder, Affiliate or assignee of any of the foregoing, whether by the enforcement of any assessment or by any legal or equitable proceeding, or by virtue of any statute, regulation or other applicable law, it being expressly agreed and acknowledged that no personal liability whatsoever shall attach to, be imposed on or otherwise be incurred by, any former, current or future director, officer, trustee, employee, agent, limited partner, manager, member, stockholder, Affiliate or assignee of the Shareholder any former, current or future director, officer, trustee, employee, agent, limited partner, manager, member, stockholder, Affiliate or assignee of any of the foregoing, as such, for any obligation of the Shareholder under these Bylaws or for any claim based on, in respect of or by reason of such obligation or its creation.

### **ARTICLE III**

#### **Board of Directors**

Section 1. *Powers of Directors.* Except as specifically provided in Article II with respect to certain matters reserved for the Shareholder or by applicable law, the corporate powers shall be exercised by or under the authority of, and the business and affairs of the Company shall be managed under the direction of, the Board, with voting rights for and among the Directors as set forth in the Articles of Incorporation and these Bylaws pursuant to Sections 23B.08.010(3) and 23B.07.320 of the Act.

Section 2. *Action by Consent.* Any action required or permitted to be taken at a meeting of the Board may be taken by unanimous written consent of those Directors required to approve a matter pursuant to Sections 8 and 9 of this Article III. Action taken by unanimous consent of those Directors entitled to vote on such matter is effective when the last relevant Director provides consent, unless the consent specifies a later effective date.

Section 3. *Board of Directors.* The Board shall be comprised of individuals appointed by the Shareholder in accordance with clause (a) below. Among its other duties, the Board shall establish the policies, procedures, guidelines and delegations for the implementation of the Business Plan and the management of the affairs of the Company. The following provisions apply to the Board:

- (a) The Board shall consist of up to thirteen (13) Directors, which shall include:
  - (i) the Company CEO;
  - (ii) at least one (1) Director who (A) shall not be a Holdings Member or an affiliate of any Holdings Member (including by way of being a member, stockholder, director, manager, partner, officer or employee of any such member). (B)



shall not be an officer or employee of the Company, (C) shall be a resident of the state of Washington, and (D) if and to the extent required with respect to any specific Director, shall meet such other qualifications as may be required by any applicable regulatory authority for an independent director or manager (each, an "Independent Director");

(iii) a Bankruptcy Remote Independent Director; and

(iv) up to another ten (10) Directors (each, an "Owner Director"), each of whom is also an Owner Manager of the Holdings.

(b) Each Owner Director who is also an Owner Director of the Holdings (other than any Owner Director who is a Holdings Jointly Appointed Manager (such Director a "Jointly Appointed Director")) shall be entitled to cast a number of votes, in the aggregate, that is equal to the total number of Holdings Shares held by the Holdings Member(s) appointing such Owner Manager to the Holdings Board, without duplication. If a Holdings Member has appointed more than one (1) Owner Manager to the Holdings Board, each Owner Director who is an Owner Manager appointed to the Holdings Board by such Holdings Member shall be entitled to cast a number of votes equal to the total number of Holdings Shares held by such Holdings Member (less any Allocated Free Percentage of the Holdings Member used to appoint a Holdings Jointly Appointed Manager) divided by the number of Owner Managers appointed by such Holdings Member that are present at such meeting or consenting to such action. Each Director who is a Jointly Appointed Director shall be able to cast a number of votes equal to the total number of Holdings Shares represented by the Allocated Free Percentage of the Holdings Members appointing such Jointly Appointed Director, unless a Holdings Member that appointed the Jointly Appointed Manager to the Holdings Board also appointed one (1) or more Owner Managers to the Holdings Board, in which case, (i) the Owner Director(s) appointed by such Holdings Member shall be entitled to cast a number of votes equal to the number of Holdings Shares held by the Holdings Member appointing such Owner Manager(s) to the Holdings Board (including, without duplication, the Allocated Free Percentage of such Holdings Member) divided by the number of Owner Manager(s) appointed to the Holdings Board by such Member that are present at such meeting or consenting to such action and (ii) such Jointly Appointed Director shall be able to cast a number of votes equal to (A) the number of Holdings Shares represented by the Allocated Free Percentage of the Holdings Members appointing such Jointly Appointed Director *less* (B) the Allocated Free Percentage of a Holdings Member appointing the Jointly Appointed Director that also has appointed one or more Owner Director(s). The Independent Director(s) will not have the right to vote on any matter for purposes of these Bylaws other than with respect to Board Supermajority Matters; provided, however, that those matters set forth in Article II, Section 10(l) shall require the unanimous affirmative vote or consent of the Board, including the Bankruptcy Remote Independent Director.

(c) William Ayer shall serve as chairman of the Board from the Effective Date until the earlier of (i) his resignation or removal and (ii) the date that is one (1) year after the Effective Date and the appointment and qualification of his successor. Each subsequent chairman of the Board shall be an Independent Director, as appointed as the chairman by Board Supermajority Approval. After the one-year anniversary of the Effective Date or in the event that, at any time after the Effective Date, the chairman of the Board resigns or is removed from his position as the chairman of the Board, if no other Person has then been appointed and qualified as



chairman of the Board in accordance with the provisions of this Article 3, Section 3(c) prior to or upon such resignation, removal or anniversary date, then the Independent Director with the longest time serving on the Board will become the acting chairman of the Board until a successor chairman is elected and qualified pursuant to the provisions of this Article III, Section 3(c). No Officers shall be appointed as Directors (except for the Company CEO), unless otherwise required by applicable law or order of the WUTC.

(d) The Shareholder may appoint an alternate Director (the "Alternate") for each Owner Director, provided that the Shareholder gives prior written notification to the Company of such appointment. Alternates shall not be permitted to attend Board meetings and shall not possess rights other than as set forth herein. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the absence of an Owner Director, which shall be notified to the Company in writing by the Shareholder, such Owner Director's Alternate shall be deemed an Owner Director acting as proxy for the duration of such Owner Director's absence, and the Alternate shall be entitled to attend Board meetings and take all actions permitted to be taken by the respective Owner Director for whom he or she is appointed as an Alternate, including voting or consenting to any Board action.

(e) In the event that a Holdings Member has the right to appoint an observer to the Holdings Board, such Holdings Member shall also have the right to appoint one (1) non-voting and non-participating observer to the Board.

Section 4. *Election; Term of Office.* The terms of the initial Directors expire at the first shareholder meeting at which Directors are elected. The Directors shall be elected by the Shareholder pursuant to Article III, Section 3(a). If, for any reason, the Directors shall not have been elected at any annual meeting, they may be elected at a special shareholder meeting called for that purpose in the manner provided by these Bylaws. Each Director shall continue to hold office until his or her successor is elected and qualified.

Section 5. *Meetings; Notice.* All meetings of the Board will take place in Bellevue, Washington or any other place in the United States of America as shall be designated by the Board from time to time, unless held by telephone, videoconference or any other means pursuant to this Article III, Section 5. If requested by any Director, the chairman of the Board shall be physically present in the United States of America for a Board meeting. Regular meetings of the Board shall be held quarterly, or at such times as may be determined from time to time by the Board. A special meeting of the Board may be called at any time by the Company CEO or any Director. The Directors shall use commercially reasonable efforts to agree upon mutually convenient dates for regular and special meetings of the Board. Notice (which may be in writing or by any electronic, oral or telephonic means, that conveys actual notice) must be given to all of the Directors at least five (5) Business Days in advance of any meeting of the Board unless waived by all of the Directors. A notice so given must include an agenda specifying items for decision, together with all reasonably available supporting materials or documents in respect of such matters. Any meeting of the Board may be effectuated by means of a conference telephone or similar communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other during the meeting. Participation by such means shall constitute presence in person at such meeting.

Section 6. *Waiver of Notice.* A Director may waive notice of a special meeting of the Board either before or after the meeting, and such waiver shall be deemed to be the equivalent of



giving notice. The waiver must be delivered to the Company for inclusion in its corporate records in any manner and by any means permitted under the Act. Attendance of a Director at a meeting shall constitute waiver of notice of that meeting unless said Director attends for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of business because the meeting has not been lawfully called or convened.

Section 7. *Quorum of Directors.* No action may be taken at a meeting of the Board unless there is a quorum present consisting of at least four (4) Directors who are also Holdings Managers appointed by Holdings Members holding at least seventy percent (70%) of the Holdings Shares, including at least one (1) Director who is also a Holdings Manager appointed by each of the three (3) Holdings Members having the largest percentage ownership of Holdings Shares constituting such seventy percent (70%); provided, however, that if a quorum is not present at a Board meeting duly noticed to the Directors, then upon a second written notice delivered at least ten (10) Business Days before the meeting, the presence of any three (3) Owner Directors at a meeting shall constitute a quorum. For purposes of this Article III, Section 7, any two or more Holdings Members that are Affiliated with one another shall constitute one Holdings Member.

Section 8. *Majority Approval Matters.* All matters submitted to a vote of the Board shall be taken by Majority Approval; provided that where the provisions of these Bylaws designate any decision or action as a Board Supermajority Matter, such decision or action shall require Board Supermajority Approval.

Section 9. *Board Supermajority Approval Matters.* Without obtaining Board Supermajority Approval, the Board and the Shareholder shall cause the Company not to, and the Company shall not, and shall not permit any of its Subsidiaries to, take, or agree to take, any of the following actions (each, a "Board Supermajority Matter");

(a) any approval of a Budget or Business Plan, or any amendment or variation to a previously approved Budget or Business Plan resulting or expected to result in a change of more than 7.5% of earnings before income tax, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) for any one (1) Fiscal Year;

(b) the sale or acquisition of a material component of the consolidated assets of the Company;

(c) the giving of a material guarantee outside of a Puget Sound Energy Permitted Business;

(d) the granting of security over a material part of the Company's assets when taken as a whole with its Subsidiaries;

(e) the entering into of:

(i) (A) material contracts or arrangements and (B) any contract or arrangement that provides for expenditures or for the incurrence of liabilities, and involves income greater than, in each case, the allocated provision for such contract or arrangement contained in the Budget or Business Plan. For the purposes of this Article III, Section 9(e)(i), "material" shall mean any contract involving expenditure, income or

the incurrence of liabilities in excess of \$75 million (such amount to be increased or decreased, as the case may be, annually by the percentage increase or decrease of the Consumer Price Index over the same period) in any single calendar year that has not previously been approved as part of a Budget or Business Plan; and

(ii) any contract for debt financing (other than any debt financing agreed to as of, or prior to, the Effective Date) in excess of \$75 million (such amount to be increased or decreased, as the case may be, annually by the percentage increase or decrease of the Consumer Price Index over the same period) that has not previously been approved as part of a Budget or Business Plan.

(f) the initiation, or any subsequent settlement, of any material litigation, arbitration or mediation proceedings;

(g) the appointment or termination of the Company CEO;

(h) the appointment of an Independent Director as the chairman of the Board;

(i) the delegation of authority of the Board to the Officers to act with respect to any and all matters that the Board deems appropriate except as otherwise provided in Article IV;

(j) the implementation of, or making of any change to, any material accounting policy and risk management program, including, the derivatives programs, except as required by applicable law or GAAP;

(k) the sale or other transfer of a material part of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries to any Person, except for any sale or transfer of any material part of any Subsidiary to the Company or to a wholly-owned Subsidiary of the Company;

(l) the acquisition or Disposition of any share capital, loan capital, other securities or debentures in any Person or the entry into or termination of any partnership or joint venture arrangement or material profit sharing arrangement with any Person (in each case, other than as previously approved as part of a Budget or Business Plan), provided, that such acquisition, Disposition or entry into or termination of arrangement would represent more than ten percent (10%) of the consolidated revenues of the Company and its Subsidiaries;

(m) the entering into of any transaction or series of related transactions (whether at one time or over a period of time) involving the incurrence of any capital expenditure, other than any capital expenditure included in the then current Business Plan that involves a total outlay or receipt of (i) more than \$50 million in each transaction, or (ii) \$150 million in the aggregate, on an annual basis;

(n) the cessation of any activity to the extent such activity represents more than ten percent (10%) of the consolidated revenues of the Company and its Subsidiaries;

(o) the establishment of any committees of the Board or changing the role or authority of an existing committee of the Board;



(p) any change in (including cessation of) the business of the Company other than any such changes contemplated in a duly approved Business Plan;

(q) the entry into of any contract or the taking of any action, which, in either case, (i) is reasonably likely to constitute an event of default under the terms of any Financing Document, or (ii) would cause the aggregate consolidated debt of the Company and its Subsidiaries to exceed 0.9x (rate base plus construction work in progress) at the end of any calendar year;

(r) any Initial Public Offering or any direct or indirect merger, consolidation, recapitalization or reorganization or similar transaction involving the Company or any of its material Subsidiaries (other than those effected for internal reorganization purposes);

(s) the determination of Distributable Cash at any point in time and the declaration of distributions, including any distribution in kind pursuant to Article VIII, Section 3; or

(t) the entering into of any material amendments or waivers to the Financing Documents to which the Company is a party.

For the purpose of a Board Supermajority Matter, and except as otherwise provided in Article III, Section 9(e)(i), the term "material", when used with respect to an item of payment, receipt, expenditure or loss, shall mean a matter having, or reasonably expected to have, an effect in an amount equal to or greater than \$75 million on the balance sheet or \$15 million on the consolidated income statement of the Company, each of those amounts to be increased or decreased, as the case may be, annually by the percentage increase or decrease of the Consumer Price Index over the same period.

Section 10. *Resignation and Removal; Vacancies.* A Director may be removed from the Board by the Shareholder at any time, with or without cause; provided, that the removal of the Company CEO or an Independent Director or the Bankruptcy Remote Independent Director shall not affect the requirement of these Bylaws that the Board include such Directors and the Shareholder shall fill any vacancy on resignation or removal of such Directors. Upon the resignation or removal of an Owner Manager from the Holdings Board, the Shareholder shall cause such individual to also be removed from the Board. The Shareholder shall appoint to the Board seat left open by such removed Owner Director, the Holdings Owner Manager who replaces the Holdings Owner Manager who resigned or was removed on the Holdings Board.

Section 11. *Adjournment.* Directors who represent Holdings Shares that constitute at least fifty-five percent (55%) of the Holdings Shares represented at any meeting, even if less than a quorum, may adjourn a meeting and continue it to a later time. Notice of the adjourned meeting or of the business to be transacted thereat, other than by announcement, shall not be necessary. At any adjourned meeting at which a quorum is present, any business may be transacted which could have been transacted at the meeting as originally called.

Section 12. *Compensation; Reimbursement of Expenses.* Each Director who is not (a) an employee of (i) the Shareholder, (ii) the Holdings Members, or (iii) an Affiliate of the Shareholder or the Holdings Members, or (b) the Company CEO, shall be paid annual compensation at a level approved by the Board. Each Director shall be entitled to reimbursement by the Company of reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in performing his or her duties. Directors shall be

indemnified by the Company against all liabilities arising out of their service as a Director and be entitled to advancement of expenses, in each case, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law and in accordance with Article VII.

Section 13. *Presumption of Assent.* A Director who is present at a meeting of the Board at which action on any corporate matter as to which the Director is entitled to vote pursuant to these Bylaws is taken shall be presumed to have assented to the action taken unless:

- (a) the Director objects at the beginning of the meeting, or promptly upon the Director's arrival, to holding it or transacting business at the meeting;
- (b) the Director's dissent or abstention from the action taken is entered in the minutes of the meeting; or
- (c) the Director shall file written dissent or abstention with the presiding Officer of the meeting before its adjournment or to the Company within a reasonable time after adjournment of the meeting.

The right of dissent or abstention is not available to a Director who votes in favor of the action taken.

Section 14. *Committees.* The Board, acting by resolution, may create one (1) or more committees consisting of two (2) or more of the Directors (including Alternates who may replace any absent or disqualified member at any meeting of the committee) with membership and responsibilities of each such committee to be established by the Board in the committee charters consistent with any applicable conditions and the commitments in the WUTC Order. No committee shall have the power to bind the Board or the Company on any matter unless such power is delegated to such committee by Board Supermajority Approval, but each such committee will be entitled to make recommendations to the Board. To the extent provided in the authorizing resolution or committee charter, each committee shall have and may exercise all the authority of the Board, except no such committee shall have the authority to:

- (a) authorize or approve a distribution except according to a general formula or method prescribed by the Board;
- (b) approve or propose to the Shareholder action which the Act requires to be approved by Shareholder;
- (c) approve a plan of merger not requiring shareholder approval; or
- (d) approve any Board Supermajority Matter.

Section 15. *Conflicts of Interest; Affiliate Transactions.* (a) If a Director determines that he or she is interested or otherwise has an actual or perceived conflict of interest with respect to any matter, such Director shall not be entitled to participate in discussions nor vote regarding such matter. An Owner Director shall be deemed to have a conflict of interest in a matter also if the Holdings Member that appointed such Director to the Holdings Board or its Affiliates would have a conflict of interest with respect to such matter.



(b) Contracts or arrangements between the Company or its Subsidiaries, on the one hand, and the Shareholder or an Affiliate of the Shareholder (an "Interested Party"), on the other, shall, in addition to any required notice to or approval of any regulatory authority having jurisdiction thereof, require approval of Owner Directors who are also Holdings Managers representing at least seventy percent (70%) of the Holdings Shares held by Holdings Members who are not Interested Parties, it being understood that, notwithstanding this Article III, Section 15, Owner Directors who are also Holdings Managers appointed by an Interested Party shall be entitled to participate in all discussions regarding such contracts or arrangement, but shall not be entitled to vote regarding any such matter, provided that Owner Directors who are also Holdings Managers and who were not appointed by the Interested Party or its Affiliates shall be entitled to go into one or more executive sessions as necessary without the presence of the Owner Directors who are also Holdings Managers appointed by the Interested Party or its Affiliates. The Company CEO will provide to the Board an annual statement of all payments to, and agreements with, Interested Parties and their Affiliates.

(c) If the Shareholder or any Affiliate of the Shareholder seeks to acquire any physical assets used or proposed to be used for the generation, transmission or distribution of electricity or for the transmission or distribution of natural gas or to enter into any contracts or other arrangements that, under applicable FERC rules, result in the control of assets used or proposed to be used for the generation, transmission or distribution of electricity or for the transmission or distribution of natural gas, nothing in these Bylaws shall preclude the Company or any of its Subsidiaries, or the Shareholder or any Affiliate of the Shareholder, from intervening in any regulatory proceeding before any Governmental Authority with respect to the acquisition of such assets or the entry into such contracts or other arrangements or to protest or challenge such transactions before such Governmental Authority. If a Director has an interest in, or has an Affiliate with an interest in, any decision of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries with respect to any such intervention, protest or challenge, such Director shall recuse himself or itself from any vote or consent of the Directors on such matter.

(d) For purposes of this Article III, Section 15 only, the definition of Affiliate means, with respect to any of the Macquarie Entities, each of Macquarie Capital Group Limited and each of its Subsidiaries and Funds (or similar vehicles) managed by such Subsidiaries, and, with respect to Article III, Section 15(c) only, including any "affiliate" (as such term is defined under applicable FERC rules) of any of the Macquarie Entities.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

##### **Officers**

Section 1. *Officers.* The Board may, from time to time by resolution, designate one (1) or more persons to be Officers of the Company, with such titles and responsibilities as the Board may assign to such persons in such resolution. Initially, the Company shall have a Chief Executive Officer, a Chief Financial Officer and a Secretary. No Officer need be a Director or a resident of the State of Washington. Officers so designated shall have such authority and perform such duties as set forth below (in the event set forth below), unless and to the extent the Board, from time to time, delegates to any such Officer by Board Supermajority Approval, such other authority and duties, in which event such Officer shall have only such authority and duties so delegated to it by the Board.



The scope of any such delegation shall be specified in the Board action granting the delegation. Any such delegation shall remain in effect until withdrawn and notice of such withdrawal shall be given in writing to the Officer under that delegation and recorded in the minutes of the Company. Any number of offices may be held by the same person. The salaries or other compensation, if any, of the Officers and agents of the Company shall be fixed from time to time by the Board. Any Officer may resign as such at any time. Such resignation shall be made in writing and shall take effect at the time specified therein, or if no time be specified, at the time of its receipt by the Board. Any Officer may be removed as such, either with or without cause, by the Board, in its sole discretion. Any vacancy occurring in any office of the Company may be filled by the Board.

Section 2. *Chief Executive Officer.* The Company CEO shall be the chief executive officer of the Company, shall be responsible for the general and active management of the business of the Company and shall see that all orders and resolutions of the Board are carried into effect. The Company CEO or any other Officer authorized by the Company CEO or the Board shall execute all bonds, mortgages and other contracts, except: (a) where required or permitted by law or these Bylaws to be otherwise signed and executed, (b) where signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board to some other Officer or agent of the Company, and (c) as otherwise permitted in this Article IV, Section 2. The Company CEO and any other Officer authorized by the Company CEO or the Board shall each have the authority to make tax elections and tax filings (other than as provided in Article II, Section 10). In the absence of the Company CEO or in the event of the Company CEO's inability to act, the Chief Financial Officer, if any, shall perform the duties of the Company CEO, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the Company CEO. The Chief Financial Officer, if any, shall perform such other duties and have such other powers as the Board may from time to time prescribe.

Section 3. *Secretary.* The Secretary shall be responsible for filing legal documents and maintaining records for the Company. The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the Board and record all the proceedings of the meetings of the Company and of the Board in a book to be kept for that purpose and shall perform like duties for the standing committees when required. The Secretary shall give, or shall cause to be given, notice of all meetings of the shareholders, if any, and special meetings of the Board, and shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board or the Company CEO, under whose supervision the Secretary shall serve. The Assistant Secretary, or if there be more than one, the Assistant Secretaries in the order determined by the Board (or if there be no such determination, then in order of their election), shall, in the absence of the Secretary or in the event of the Secretary's inability to act, perform the duties and exercise the powers of the Secretary and shall perform such other duties and have such other powers as the Board may from time to time prescribe.

Section 4. *Chief Financial Officer.* The Chief Financial Officer shall have the custody of the Company funds and securities and shall keep full and accurate accounts of receipts and disbursements in books belonging to the Company and shall deposit all moneys and other valuable effects in the name and to the credit of the Company in such depositories as may be designated by the Board. The Chief Financial Officer shall disburse the funds of the Company as may be ordered by the Board, taking proper vouchers for such disbursements, and shall render to the Company CEO and to the Board, at its regular meetings or when the Board so requires, an account of all of the Chief Financial Officer's transactions and of the financial condition of the Company. The Assistant



Chief Financial Officer, or if there shall be more than one, the Assistant Chief Financial Officers in the order determined by the Board (or if there be no such determination, then in the order of their election), shall, in the absence of the Chief Financial Officer or in the event of the Chief Financial Officer's inability to act, perform the duties and exercise the powers of the Chief Financial Officer and shall perform such other duties and have such other powers as the Board may from time to time prescribe.

Section 5. *Officers as Agents.* The Officers, to the extent of their powers set forth in these Bylaws, as such power may be revised by the Board by resolution, or otherwise vested in them by action of the Board, in each case in accordance with these Bylaws, are agents of the Company for the purpose of the Company's business and, subject to the other provisions of these Bylaws, the actions of the Officers taken in accordance with such powers shall bind the Company.

## **ARTICLE V**

### **Certificates of Shares and Their Transfer**

Section 1. *General.* Each Share shall constitute a "security" within the meaning of, and governed by, (a) Article 8 (including Sections 62.8-102(1)(d) and (m)) of the Revised Code of Washington, and (b) Article 8 of the Uniform Commercial Code of any other applicable jurisdiction that now or hereafter substantially includes the 1994 revisions to Article 8 thereof as adopted by the American Law Institute and the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws and approved by the American Bar Association on February 14, 1995.

Section 2. *Issuance; Certificates of Shares.* No Shares shall be issued unless authorized by the Board and Shareholder as provided in these Bylaws. Such authorization shall include the maximum number of shares to be issued, the consideration to be received, and a statement that the Board considers the consideration to be adequate. Shares may be in certificated or uncertificated form, as determined by the Board. Any certificates for Shares (each a "Share Certificate") of the Company shall be in such form as is consistent with the provisions of the Act and shall include:

(a) the name of the Company and that the Company is organized under the laws of the State of Washington;

(b) the name of the person to whom issued;

(c) the number and class of shares and the designation of the series, if any, which such certificate represents; and

(d) a conspicuous notation that these Bylaws constitute an agreement among shareholders pursuant Section 23B.07.320(3) of the Act regarding (1) the qualifications of the Directors; (2) the manner of election, removal and replacement of the Directors; (3) the manner of voting by the Directors, including weighted voting rights and the use of proxies; and (4) the matters subject to a vote by the Directors, among the Directors, and by the Shareholder.

Each Share Certificate shall be signed by original or facsimile signature of two Officers, and the seal of the Company may be affixed thereto.

Section 3. *Transfer of Stock.* Upon a transfer of Shares in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws and applicable regulatory requirements of any or all Shares in the Company represented by a Share Certificate, the transferee of such interests shall deliver such Share Certificate to the Company for cancellation (duly endorsed by the transferor), and the Company shall thereupon issue a new Share Certificate to such transferee for the number of Shares being transferred and, if applicable, cause to be issued to such Shareholder a new Share Certificate for that number of Shares that were represented by the cancelled Share Certificate and that are not being transferred. Any Person's acceptance of a Share Certificate shall constitute such Person's acceptance of its status of assignee or Shareholder, as the case may be and unless otherwise noted by the Shareholder in the transfer books the consent and agreement to these Bylaws as an agreement among shareholders pursuant to Section 23B.07.320 of the Act.

Section 4. *Lost, Stolen or Destroyed Share Certificates.* In the event that a Share Certificate is lost, stolen or destroyed, the Company may issue a new Share Certificate as provided in this Article V in place of such lost, stolen or destroyed Share Certificate, upon the receipt of an affidavit of that fact by the Person claiming the Share Certificate to be lost, stolen or destroyed. When authorizing such issue of a new Share Certificate, the Company may, in its discretion and as a condition precedent to the issuance thereof, require the owner of such lost, stolen or destroyed certificate, or his legal representative, to advertise to give the Company a bond in such sum as it may direct as indemnity against any claim that may be made against the Company with respect to the Share Certificate to have been lost, stolen or destroyed.

Section 5. *Record Date and Transfer Books.* For the purpose of determining shareholders who are entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of shareholders or any adjournment thereof, or entitled to receive payment of any dividend, or in order to make a determination of shareholders for any other proper purpose, the Board may fix in advance a record date for any such determination of shareholders, such date in any case to be not more than seventy (70) days and, in case of a meeting of shareholders, not less than ten (10) days prior to the date on which the particular action, requiring such determination of shareholders, is to be taken.

If no record date is fixed for such purposes, the date on which notice of the meeting is communicated by any means permitted by the Act or the date on which the resolution of the Board declaring such dividend is adopted, as the case may be, shall be the record date for such determination of shareholders.

When a determination of shareholders entitled to vote at any meeting of shareholders has been made as provided in this section, such determination shall apply to any adjournment thereof, unless the Board fixes a new record date, which it must do if the meeting is adjourned more than one hundred twenty (120) days after the date is fixed for the original meeting.

Section 6. *Voting Record.* The officer or agent having charge of the stock transfer books for shares of the Company shall make at least ten (10) days before each meeting of shareholders a complete record of the shareholders entitled to vote at such meeting or any adjournment thereof, arranged in alphabetical order, with the address, or, provided such shareholder has consented to receipt of electronic notice pursuant to the Act, the electronic address of and the number of shares held by each. Such record shall be produced and kept open at the time and place



of the meeting and shall be subject to the inspection of any shareholder during the whole time of the meeting for the purposes thereof.

## **ARTICLE VI**

### **Books and Records**

Section 1. *Books of Accounts, Minutes, and Share Register.* At the expense of the Company, the Board shall cause to be maintained records and accounts of all operations and expenditures of the Company. At a minimum the Company shall keep at its principal place of business the following records:

- (a) a current list of the full name and last known business, residence or mailing address of each shareholder, both past and present;
- (b) a copy of the Articles of Incorporation and all amendments thereto;
- (c) copies of the Company's federal, state and local tax returns and reports, if any, for the three most recent years;
- (d) copies of the Company's currently effective Bylaws and all amendments thereto, copies of any writings required under the Act to be retained and copies of any financial statements of the Company for the three most recent years;
- (e) minutes of every meeting of the Board and of the Shareholder and any consents obtained from the Board and the Shareholder for actions taken without a meeting;
- (f) to the extent not contained in these Bylaws, a statement that describes the amount of cash and a description and statement of the agreed value of other property or consideration contributed to the Company by the Shareholder or that the Shareholder has agreed to contribute in the future, along with the number of Shares of the Shareholder; and
- (g) a copy of the Company's annual report as delivered to the Secretary of State of Washington.

Section 2. *Copies of Resolutions.* Any person dealing with the Company may rely upon a copy of any of the records of the proceedings, resolutions, or votes of the Board or Shareholder, when certified by an officer of the Company.

## **ARTICLE VII**

### **Indemnification**

Section 1. To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law but subject to the limitations expressly provided in these Bylaws, all Indemnified Persons shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Company from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities, joint or several, expenses (including reasonable legal fees and expenses), judgments, fines, penalties, interest, settlements or other amounts arising from any and all threatened, pending or completed claims, demands, actions (including any action by any Director, or Officer, including a derivative suit), suits or proceedings, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, and

whether formal or informal and including appeals, in which any Indemnified Person may be involved, or is threatened to be involved, as a party or otherwise, by reason of its status as an Indemnified Person whether arising from acts or omissions to act occurring before or after the date of these Bylaws; provided, however, that no such indemnity shall indemnify an Indemnified Person from and on account of (a) acts or omissions of such Indemnified Person finally adjudged to be intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law by the Indemnified Person, (b) conduct of the Indemnified Person adjudged to be in violation of Section 23B.08.310 of the Act, or (c) any transaction with respect to which it was finally adjudged that the Indemnified Person received a benefit in money, property, or services to which such Indemnified Person was not legally entitled. An Indemnified Person shall reimburse the Company for any expenses and losses (and shall repay any expenses advanced to such Indemnified Person) if the conduct described in clauses (a), (b) or (c) of the previous sentence has been determined by a court of competent jurisdiction in a final non-appealable judgment.

Section 2. To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, expenses (including reasonable legal fees and expenses) incurred by an Indemnified Person in appearing at, participating in or defending any indemnifiable claim, demand, action, suit or proceeding pursuant to Article VII, Section 1 shall, from time to time, be advanced by the Company prior to a final and non-appealable determination that the Indemnified Person is not entitled to be indemnified upon receipt by the Company of an undertaking by or on behalf of the Indemnified Person to repay such amount if it ultimately shall be determined that the Indemnified Person is not entitled to be indemnified pursuant to this Article VII.

Section 3. The indemnification provided by this Article VII shall be in addition to any other rights to which an Indemnified Person may be entitled under this or any other agreement, pursuant to a vote of a majority of the disinterested Directors with respect to such matter, as a matter of law, in equity or otherwise, both as to actions in the Indemnified Person's capacity as an Indemnified Person and as to actions in any other capacity, and shall continue as to an Indemnified Person who has ceased to serve in such capacity.

Section 4. The Company shall purchase and maintain insurance with customary coverage on behalf of Directors and Officers who are Indemnified Persons and such other Persons as the Board shall determine, against any liability that may be asserted against, or expense that may be incurred by, such Indemnified Person in connection with the Company's activities or any such Person's activities on behalf of the Company, regardless of whether the Company would have the power to indemnify such Indemnified Person against such liability under the provisions of these Bylaws.

Section 5. For purposes of this Article VII: (a) the Company shall be deemed to have requested an Indemnified Person to serve as fiduciary of an employee benefit plan of the Company whenever the performance by such Indemnified Person of its duties to the Company also imposes duties on, or otherwise involves services by, such Indemnified Person to the plan or participants or beneficiaries of the plan; (b) excise taxes assessed on an Indemnified Person with respect to an employee benefit plan pursuant to applicable law shall constitute "fines" within the meaning of Article VII; and (c) any action taken or omitted by an Indemnified Person with respect to any employee benefit plan in the performance of such Indemnified Person's duties for a purpose



reasonably believed by it to be in the best interest of the participants and beneficiaries of the plan shall be deemed to be for a purpose that is in the best interests of the Company.

Section 6. Any indemnification pursuant to this Article VII shall be made only out of the assets of the Company. In no event may an Indemnified Person subject the Shareholder to personal liability by reason of the indemnification provisions set forth in these Bylaws.

Section 7. An Indemnified Person shall not be denied indemnification in whole or in part under this Article VII because the Indemnified Person had an interest in the transaction with respect to which the indemnification applies, provided that the transaction was otherwise permitted by the terms of these Bylaws, and, if required, approved pursuant to Article III, Section 15.

Section 8. The provisions of this Article VII are for the benefit of the Indemnified Persons and their heirs, successors, assigns, executors and administrators and shall not be deemed to create any rights for the benefit of any other Persons.

Section 9. The Indemnified Persons shall, in the performance of his or her duties, be fully protected in relying in good faith upon the records of the Company and on such information, opinions, reports or statements presented to the Company by any of the Officers, Directors or employees of the Company, or committees of the Board, or by any other Person (including legal counsel, accountants, appraisers, management consultants, investment bankers and other consultants and advisers selected by it) as to matters the Indemnified Persons reasonably believes are within such other Person's professional or expert competence.

Section 10. No amendment, modification or repeal of this Article VII or any provision hereof shall in any manner terminate, reduce or impair the right of any past, present or future Indemnified Person to be indemnified by the Company, nor the obligations of the Company to indemnify any such Indemnified Person under and in accordance with the provisions of this Article VII as in effect immediately prior to such amendment, modification or repeal with respect to claims arising from or relating to matters occurring, in whole or in part, prior to such amendment, modification or repeal, regardless of when such claims may arise or be asserted.

Section 11. If a claim for indemnification (following the final disposition of the action, suit or proceeding for which indemnification is being sought) or advancement of expenses under this Article VII is not paid in full within thirty (30) days after a written claim therefor by any Indemnified Person has been received by the Company, such Indemnified Person may file suit to recover the unpaid amount of such claim and, if successful in whole or in part, shall be entitled to be paid the expenses of prosecuting such claim, including reasonable attorneys' fees.

Section 12. This Article VII shall not limit the right of the Company, to the extent and in the manner permitted by applicable law, to indemnify and to advance expenses to, and purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of Persons other than Indemnified Persons.

## **ARTICLE VIII**

### **Distributions**

Section 1. *Distributions.* (a) Except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws, distributions shall be made to the Shareholder at such times and in such amounts as the Board

determines, in its discretion, subject to Article III, Section 9(s) and the provisions of Section 23B.06.400 of the Act.

(b) The Company shall distribute to the Shareholder all Distributable Cash no later than thirty (30) days after the end of each fiscal quarter, subject to the approval set forth in Article III, Section 9(s).

(c) Any distributions pursuant to this Article VIII, Section 1 made in error or in violation of Section 23B.06.400 of the Act, shall, upon demand by the Board, be returned to the Company.

(d) Nothing in this Article VIII, Section 1 shall, or shall be deemed or construed to, govern or be applicable to any distributions of the assets of the Company made or to be made in connection with the liquidation and termination of the Company.

Notwithstanding any other provision in the Agreement, the Company shall not be required to make a distribution to the Shareholder if such distribution would violate the Act or other applicable law, including any order of the WUTC.

Section 2. *Withholding.* The Company may withhold distributions or portions thereof if it is required to do so by any applicable rule, regulation, or law, and the Shareholder hereby authorizes the Company to withhold from or pay on behalf of or with respect to such Shareholder any amount of federal, state, local or foreign taxes that the Board determines that the Company is required to withhold or pay with respect to any amount distributable to such Shareholder pursuant to these Bylaws. Any amounts withheld pursuant to this Article VIII, Section 2 will be treated as having been distributed to the Shareholder.

Section 3. *Distribution In Kind.* If the Company makes a distribution in kind, for purposes of this Article VIII, the value of all property distributed to the Shareholder shall be the fair market value of such property on the date of distribution. Securities distributed in kind pursuant to this Article VIII, Section 3 shall be subject to such conditions and restrictions as the Board determines are required or advisable to ensure compliance with applicable laws.

## **ARTICLE IX**

### **Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission**

Notwithstanding anything in these Bylaws to the contrary, the Company shall conduct its business, and shall be managed, and shall cause its Subsidiaries to conduct their respective businesses and to be managed, in accordance with all the then applicable requirements of the laws of the State of Washington and the rules, regulations and orders of the WUTC, including, without limitation, Order 08 "Approving and Adopting Settlement Stipulation; Authorizing Transaction Subject to Conditions," In the Matter of the Joint Application of Puget Holdings LLC and Puget Sound Energy, Inc., Docket No. U-072375 (the "WUTC Order").

## **ARTICLE X**

### **Amendment of Bylaws**

These Bylaws may be amended or repealed only by the Shareholder.



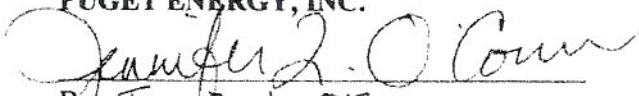
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### CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

The undersigned Shareholder of this Company does hereby adopt the foregoing Amended and Restated Bylaws as the Bylaws of this Company and that the same do now constitute the Bylaws of this Company.

DATED as of Feb 6, 2009.

PUGET ENERGY, INC.

  
By: Jennifer L. O'Connor  
Its: Sr. VP General Counsel,  
Corporate Secretary, and CEO

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Its: \_\_\_\_\_