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Puget Sound Energy, Inc. Attn: R/W Department 1700 East College Way Mount Vernon, WA 98273

EASEMENT

GRANTOR: GRANTEE:

PORT OF SKAGIT COUNTY **PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC.**

SHORT LEGAL: Portion NEW 3-34-3

ASSESSOR'S PROPERTY TAX PARCEL: P115559

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For and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1,00) and other valuable consideration in hand paid, PORT OF SKAGIT, a Washington Municipal Corporation ("Grantor" herein), hereby conveys and warrants to PUGET SOUND ENERGY. INC., a Washington Corporation ("Grantee" herein), for the purposes hereinafter set forth, a nonexclusive perpetual easement over, under, along, across, and through the following described real property ("Property" herein) in Skagit County, Washington:

> LOT 1 "SKAGIT REGIONAL AIRPORT BINDING SITE PLAN, PHASE I". APPROVED AUGUST 22, 1986, AND RECORDED AUGUST 25, 1986, IN BOOK 7 OF SHORT PLATS AT PAGES 111 THROUGH 120, INCLUSIVE, RECORDS OF SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON, UNDER AUDITOR'S FILE NO. 8608250002 AND AS AMENDED BY DOCUMENT RECORDED MARCH 4, 2003 UNDER AUDITOR'S FILE No. 2003040030.

SITUATE IN THE COUNTY OF SKAGIT, STATE OF WASHINGTON.

Except as may be otherwise set forth herein Grantee's rights shall be exercised upon that portion of the Property ("Easement Area" herein) described as follows:

That portion of the above described tract lying within a strip of land ten (10) feet in width with five (5) feet on each side of a centerline generally described as follows: Beginning a point on the North line of the above described tract, said point being 15 feet, more or less, west of the Northeast corner of said Lot 1; thence in a southwesterly direction 20 feet to the terminus of said line.

1. Purpose. Grantee shall have the right to construct, operate, maintain, repair replace, improve, remove, enlarge, and use the easement area for one or more utility systems for purposes of transmission, distribution and sale of electricity. Such systems may include, but are not limited to:

Electric transmission and distribution lines; one or more guy wires, anchor poles and anchors; fiber optic cable and other lines, cables and facilities for communications; meters, fixtures, attachments and any and all other facilities or appurtenances necessary or convenient to any of the foregoing.

Upon completion of its construction project, PSE or its agent shall return the Easement area and all portions of the property affected by use of the easement to a condition reasonably comparable to the condition in which it existed prior to PSE's use of this easement. Following the initial construction of all or a portion of its systems, Grantee may, from time to time, construct such additional facilities or lines as it may require for such systems. Grantee shall have the right of access to the Easement Area over and across the Property to enable no monetary consideration was said

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Grantee to exercise its rights hereunder. Grantee shall compensate Grantor for any damage to the Property caused by the exercise of such right of access by Grantee.

- 2. Easement Area Clearing and Maintenance. Grantee shall have the right to cut, remove and dispose of any and all brush, trees or other vegetation in the Easement Area. Grantee shall also have the right to control, on a continuing basis and by any prudent and reasonable means, the establishment and growth of brush, trees or other vegetation in the Easement Area.
- 3. Trees Outside Easement Area. Grantee shall have the right to cut, trim remove and dispose of any trees located on the Property outside the Easement Area that could, in Grantee's sole judgment, interfere with or create a hazard to Grantee's systems. Grantee shall, prior to the exercise of such right, identify such trees and make a reasonable effort to give Grantor prior notice that such trees will be cut, trimmed, removed or disposed of (except that Grantee shall have no obligation to identify such trees or give Grantor such prior notice when trees are cut, trimmed, removed or otherwise disposed of in response to emergency conditions). Grantor shall be entitled to no compensation for trees cut, trimmed, removed or disposed of except for the actual market value of merchantable timber (if any) cut and removed from the Property by Grantee.
- 4. Grantor's Use of Easement Area. Grantor reserves the right to use the Easement Area for any purpose not inconsistent with the rights herein granted, provided, however, Grantor shall not construct or maintain any buildings, structures or other objects on the Easement Area and Grantor shall do no blasting within 300 feet of Grantee's facilities without Grantee's prior written consent.
- 5. Indemnity. Grantee agrees to indemnify Grantor from and against liability incurred by Grantor as a result of Grantee's negligence in the exercise of the rights herein granted to Grantee, but nothing herein shall require Grantee to indemnify Grantor for that portion of any such liability attributable to the negligence of Grantor or the negligence of others.
- 6. Abandonment. The rights herein granted shall continue until such time as Grantee ceases to use the Easement Area for a period of five (5) successive years, in which event, this easement shall terminate and all rights hereunder, and any improvements remaining in the Easement Area, shall revert to or otherwise become the property of Grantor; provided, however, that no abandonment shall be deemed to have occurred by reason of Grantee's failure to initially install its systems on the Easement Area within any period of time from the date hereof.
- 7. Successors and Assigns. Grantee shall have the right to assign, apportion or otherwise transfer any or all of its rights, benefits, privileges and interests arising in and under this easement. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the rights and obligations of the parties shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon their respective successors and assigns.

their respective successors and assigns. 2003. 35th day of SKAGIT COUNTY WASHINGTON REAL ESTATE EXCISE TAX ARR 0 7 2003 STATE OF WASHINGTON Amount Part Stayni Co. Deas rer) ss **COUNTY OF SKAGIT** On this 35th day of Max 2003, before me, the undersigned, a Notant Public in and for the State of Washington, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared Clan Alter, to me known to be the person who signed as of the PORT OF SKAGIT COUNTY the municipal corporation that executed the within and foregoing instrument, and acknowledged said instrument to be his/her free and voluntary act and deed and the free and voluntary act and deed of PORT OF SKAGIT COUNTY for the uses and purposes therein mentioned; and on oath stated that he was authorized to execute the said instrument on behalf of said PORT OF SKAGIT COUNTY. IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and official seal the day and year first above written

Notar seed and all notation must be inside 1' margins

(Signature of Notary)

(Signature of Notary)

(Print or stamp name of Notary)

NOTARY PUBLIC in and for the State of Washington, residing at My Appointment Expires: 1934/06

