



News Release

Phil Bussey, Washington Roundtable President, Joins PSE as Vice President of Regional and Public Affairs

BELLEVUE, Wash.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Aug. 11, 2003--Puget Sound Energy (utility subsidiary of Puget Energy (NYSE: PSD) today announced that Phil Bussey, age 47, president of the Washington Roundtable, has been named Vice President of Regional and Public Affairs.

In this role, Bussey will oversee the company's state and local government relationships, as well as corporate communications, advertising, corporate contributions, community relations, information technology, corporate facilities and municipal land management.

Bussey will join PSE in September 2003 and report to Stephen P. Reynolds, PSE's president and chief executive officer.

"Understanding legislative strategies and building strong relationships to ensure that PSE is a good citizen with the many communities we serve is key to strengthening our company's outreach," said Reynolds.

"Through his extensive experience in developing public policy strategies and working with the region's communities on issues important to Washington state's economy and infrastructure, Phil brings to Puget Sound Energy extraordinary respect among state, community, business and government leaders," added Reynolds. "As we continue our diligent efforts to provide customers with low-cost energy at high levels of service, Phil will be a tremendous asset to us as we strive to build stronger relationships with the communities and constituencies we serve."

Since 1996, Bussey has led the Washington Roundtable, the Seattle-based public-policy business organization. He has held leadership positions with the Washington Roundtable for 15 years. Prior to that he served as Public Affairs Manager for Westinghouse Hanford Company and Public Relations Manager with the Aluminum Company of America (ALCOA).

Among the community organizations he serves are Fred Hutchison Cancer Research Center, The Partnership for Learning and the Washington Alliance for a Competitive Economy.

Bussey is a graduate of Brigham Young University.

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