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PSC Authorizes Credits for WPSC Customers

MADISON –Today the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSC) approved a credit for Wisconsin Public Service Corporation’s (WPSC) electric customers in response to lower fuel and purchased power costs.

“Last year, the Commission took specific actions to ensure Wisconsin ratepayers see benefits from the moderation of fuel costs,” said Chairperson Dan Ebert. “The credits authorized today and the two credits issued last year reduce WPSC rates by about 5 percent and are a strong signal to customers that the Commission remains diligent in providing rate relief for utility customers.”

Today, the Commission approved a \$14.5 million refund for WPSC ratepayers. An average residential customer, using 650 kWh per month, can expect to see a credit of over \$10.00 on their upcoming bills.

In May and October 2006, the Commission also addressed reduced fuel costs for WPSC and authorized a total of nearly \$30 million in refunds for customers. The Commission asked the company to continue to monitor the moderation of natural gas prices, an unregulated commodity, leading to the refund today. Last year’s refunds and today’s decision means a total credit of nearly \$45 million for WPSC ratepayers, or about a \$31 for the average residential customer.

“I am pleased that we are able to provide WPSC customers relief today and I am looking forward to developing even a better process to keep money in the pockets of the ratepayers,” said Commissioner Mark Meyer. The PSC, under docket 5-EI-138, is currently reviewing its process for determining rate adjustments for fuel costs.

A written order which will detail the today’s decision will be issued at a later date.

The documents associated with this case can be viewed on the PSC Electronic Regulatory Filing System at <http://psc.wi.gov/>. Type case number 6690-FR-100 in the boxes provided on the PSC homepage or click on the Electronic Regulatory Filing System button.

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