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PSC Approves \$9.8 Million Refund for WP&L Customers

MADISON – Made possible by a drop in fuel costs, today the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSC) approved a \$9.8 million refund for electric customers of Wisconsin Power and Light Company (WP&L).

“Lower than projected fuel costs are the main drivers behind the Commission approving this refund today,” said Chairperson Eric Callisto. “The protections we have in place make sure that customers see refunds when fuel prices drop.”

The PSC monitors a utility’s fuel costs on a monthly basis. On January 12, 2009 WP&L filed an application with the Commission to refund its overall 2008 fuel costs and accrued interest. The PSC determined that because of lower fuel costs, WP&L customers were due a \$9.8 million refund. The average WP&L customer using 600 kilowatt-hour (kWh) per month can expect to see a one-time refund of approximately \$7.00 on their May 2009 electric bill.

Mitigating the impacts of increasing costs of fuel to generate electricity has been a major focus of the PSC. Volatile, unregulated natural gas prices have had a significant impact on electric rate increases in 2008.

Documents associated with the WP&L refund can be viewed on the Electronic Regulatory Filing System at: <http://psc.wi.gov>. Type case number 6680-FR-100 in the boxes provided on the PSC homepage, or click on the Electronic Regulatory Filing System button.

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