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I would like to provide the following written comment for the hearing Friday February 28 on the PSE Integrated Resource Plan Hearing:

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The PSE Integrated resource Plan as written is in direct conflict with the Washington State climate goals. Legislation has been enacted to reduce carbon pollution. Washington's legislature has set a target to reduce emissions at least 25 percent below 1990 levels by 2035, and the Department of Ecology has recommended a more ambitious target of 40 percent below 1990 levels by 2035. <https://www.governor.wa.gov/issues/issues/energy-environment>.

A new gas plant or any new fossil fuel infrastructure is contrary to state goals. Klickitat County is building a large windfarm to meet new energy demand. Solar works amazingly well even in Washington. Most citizens in Washington State, in the USA and in the world agree that we are in a climate disaster and that we need to transition to clean energy. Private companies are making the switch and more frequently do not want their electricity to be produced using fossil fuels. Even GM is switching to electric vehicles. This mainstream not radical change.

Worsening climate disasters will increasingly hurt Washington State's economy. Washington State cannot afford to increase fossil fuel dependence. Jobs created by clean energy benefit the state and keep more profits in state.

The PSE Integrated Plan as presented should be rejected. Please revise the PSE Integrated Resource Plan to align with Washington State goals to decrease fossil fuel dependence.