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Subject: Regarding UE-160918 and UG-160919
Date: Tuesday, February 20, 2018 4:56:46 PM
Attachments: [Evergreen Home Loans DOC165.pdf](#)

Dear Commissioners,

Please find attached letter (PDF file) from Evergreen Home Loans.

Respectfully,
Stephanie Barbee (Vashon Island)



Feb. 2, 2018

Re: Dockets UE 160918 and UG 160919

Dear Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission:

I am a Washington resident with a family-owned business that we have grown from one branch to 59 locations across 7 western states. Our deep commitment to ethical practices is the foundation of our success, along with taking excellent care of our employees. (Seattle Business Magazine voted us #1 best company to work for in 2017.) We believe that business can thrive by doing the right thing.

As a mortgage company we help people enjoy the security and satisfaction of home ownership. However, that security appears to be threatened by the effects of climate change, already in evidence in our nation with catastrophic damage to homes by storms, fires, flooding and rising sea levels. As rate-payers, we look to you to ensure that the energy we purchase does not contribute to climate change. We ask you to work with Puget Sound Energy to close its coal generation plants and replace that capacity with renewables, conservation and up-to-date innovations in energy distribution and storage. We are family business and have an interest in leaving a healthy, living home to our great grandchildren.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Donald M. Burton".

Donald M. Burton

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