

UTC Hearing submission for dockets UE-160918 and UG-160919 on February 21, 2018

Dear UTC Commissioners:

I am a PSE rate-payer from Vashon. I am concerned primarily about the large amount of carbon-based electricity that they annually dump into the grid that serves our state. I am concerned also, after reading their IRP, that they are likely to continue to dump large amounts of such pollutants into our atmosphere in the future. From what I've read, this violates the emissions policies of our state. --- primarily PSE lack of urgency in their IRP.

Washington state law (see RCW 19.280.030(f)) requires that a utility consider state public policies in its plans for the resources it'll be using (see also RCW 19.280.020(11)).

Washington's public policy goals for greenhouse gas emissions is to reduce them to 1990 levels by 2020. PSE's IRP addresses this goal however there is also a state goal to lower greenhouse gas emissions to 25 percent below 1990 levels by 2035 (see RCW 70.235.020(1)(a)), a year which is within the required 20-year planning period for the IRP.

Our UTC should require PSE to explain and specifically illustrate how it plans to meet the state's greenhouse gas emissions goal for 2035 and that specific response should be included in their 2017 IRP.

Respectfully submitted to the UTC at their Feb.21, 2018, Renton CC Hearing by,

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