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My Name is Norm Hansen. I am a member of the PSE advisory Committee. I also served on the Energize Eastside Community Advisory Group beginning in 2014. I have been active with PSE efforts to improve reliability in Bellevue Bridle Trails neighborhood over the past 20 years. Bridle Trails consists of 9000 residents with a neighborhood characteristic important for protection of tree canopy. Reliability of overhead wired solutions have been historically incompatible with preservation of the evergreen tree canopy.

We thank the UTC for adding to the IRP Chapter 8 concerning transmission line analysis. This is a great step in making preliminary notice concerning prudent decisions in the interest of rate payers before construction begins.

This transparent analysis should give PSE **advance notice** on any decision to build or not to build. A decision to build Energize Eastside or the Lake Hills transmission line project would be **imprudent** based on the information that is currently available. This is based on PSE 2015 outdated studies including forecasts of need along with other nonwired options.

It is requested that the WUTC Commissioners consider a fact finding hearing or process to determine need prior to the 2019 IRP.

Thank you for your consideration ^{to} benefit the environment and ratepayers.

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