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Regarding: Docket Number 220294

Dear Ms. Maxwell:

Kitsap Transit is pleased to offer this letter of support for Puget Sound Energy's (PSE) tariff filings for Fleet and Commercial, Residential Multi-Family, Load Management and Education and Outreach programs to advance transportation electrification in our region. These programs are essential to facilitating and accelerating meaningful reduction in carbon emissions from Washington's transportation sector. All communities stand to benefit from PSE's programs in the form of greater access to electric mobility, cleaner air, and the conveniences of advanced technology.

Kitsap Transit is committed to promoting energy conservation, enhancing healthy communities, and protecting the environment by reducing their fleet emissions with electrified buses. By incorporating innovative electric technology and domestically produced battery-electric buses, Kitsap Transit's diesel fleet replacement is helping to lead the charge for zero-emission public transportation.

To help mitigate potential negative impacts of these new electric loads on PSE's distribution system, Kitsap Transit believes that the Load Management program will encourage charging outside of peak time periods, while also providing us with the flexibility to modify charging decisions that best support our operations if necessary. Kitsap Transit affirms the importance of ensuring equitable access to transportation electrification and its benefits. PSE's programs will not only provide robust financial incentives for highly impacted communities, vulnerable populations, and the community-based organizations, government agencies and tribal entities that serve them, but also offer education and technical assistance to address the range of barriers to equitable access.

Kitsap Transit supports PSE's efforts to address the urgency of establishing charging infrastructure and to further advance EV adoption. Approving PSE's Fleet & Commercial, Multi-Family Residential, Load Management, and Education and Outreach program tariffs are a tangible next step toward realizing an electrified transportation future. We appreciate the opportunity to support PSE's proposed filings and look forward to working with them to accelerate EV and charging adoption.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John W. Clauson".

John W. Clauson  
Executive Director  
Kitsap Transit

