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Regarding: Puget Sound Energy's Transportation Electrification Plan; Docket 210191

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The Kitsap County Board of Commissioners is pleased to support Puget Sound Energy's (PSE) proposed Transportation Electrification (TE) Plan. We believe that electrifying transportation is a vital way to reduce carbon emissions in the state and help Kitsap County, as a PSE customer, reduce our operating costs through lower fuel and maintenance expenditures for our vehicles.

The TE Plan supports our goals to grow a more sustainable, equitable, resilient, and healthy clean energy economy. Additionally, this plan supports PSE's Beyond Net Zero Carbon goals, which target reducing their own carbon emissions to net zero and go beyond by helping other sectors to enable carbon reduction across Washington state by 2045.

Kitsap County is a government agency with a workforce of 1,100 employees that provide road maintenance, law enforcement, court services, a jail, maintenance for over 10,000 park acres, waste disposal, etc. Our operations require a truck and vehicle fleet of over 700 vehicles which could benefit from electrification of as many as feasible. We currently only have three electric vehicles, and would like to add more.

While Kitsap County assesses our ability and plans to incorporate electric vehicles into our operations, it is vital that PSE provide its customers with a grid that is reliable, resilient, safe, and modernized to efficiently respond to the changing transportation industry. PSE's TE Plan is a roadmap for their teams to develop and implement programs and services that support electric vehicle charging and the corresponding utility infrastructure to support increased loads. Within the TE Plan, PSE addresses charging infrastructure loads and prepares for planning and managing infrastructure gaps, which will benefit Kitsap County's efforts to encourage more electric vehicles.

We appreciate the opportunity to supports PSE's TE Plan and look forward to working with them to incorporate electric vehicles in our own fleet.

Sincerely,



Robert Gelder
Chair



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