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Dear WA UTC,

I am a resident of Tacoma and a client of PSE. We use gas from PSE to heat our home.

I appreciate the heat PSE provides. Especially in these frigidly cold days of this week. I love coming inside our cozy home! I need a safe place to be protected and safe from the cold. PSE provides me with that.

At the same time I am so deeply conflicted about the service I receive from PSE. I have questions about PSE's plans for home heating into the future.

I need to be warm, obviously. I would die in the cold outside! But I am also aware that natural gas is increasing CO2 levels in the atmosphere which is rapidly making Tacoma unlivable for human life. Between flooding in the Port of Tacoma, increased immigration to Tacoma by climate refugees, and air contamination in my neighborhood that is doubling local asthma rates, federal scientists predict that within my lifetime life as we know it in Tacoma is in for massive changes.

Could you please confirm with me how PSE is ensuring that the gas I use and need every day to heat my home today is not simultaneously destroying my life in the future?

I know WA UTC held a presentation in Renton on Wednesday, but I work weekdays so am unable to attend.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

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