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Washington Utility & Transportation Commission
621 Woodland Square Loop SE
Lacey, WA 98503

RE: Puget Sound Energy Transportation Electrification Plan Docket Number 210191

Dear Washington Utility & Transportation Commission,

The Thurston County Board of County Commissioners supports Puget Sound Energy's (PSE) proposed Transportation Electrification Plan (TEP), filed March 19, 2021, with Washington Utility & Transportation Commission (UTC). Electrifying transportation is a vital way to reduce carbon emissions in the state and aligns with Thurston County's approach to a clean, more energy efficient county.

The proposal outlines PSE's approach in a comprehensive five-year strategic framework for electric vehicle products, services, and infrastructure that will drive the transition to a cleaner energy future by further advancing electrified transportation in Washington State. Within the TEP, PSE gives a detailed summary of how they can reduce emissions, address charging infrastructure gaps, manage electric vehicle charging loads, managing electric loads, and further energy equity and inclusion.

The Thurston County Board of County Commissioners is committed to a cleaner energy future and PSE's proposed TEP aligns well with Thurston County's Climate Action Plan strategies. Thank you for your consideration.

Attest:
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County Manager/Asst. County Manager

Tye Menser, Chair

Gary Edwards, Vice-Chair

Carolina Mejia, Commissioner