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I am submitting a statement for the League of Women Voters of WA (LWVWA.org)

We understand that PSE intends to retain its ownership of a portion of the Colstrip Generation Facility and continue to use the electricity generated from this plant for a significant part of its mix of sources of electricity serving much of western WA for the next 20 years. We believe the potential liabilities from this plant have not been fully accounted for by PSE and the other Colstrip owners in their final recommendation.

Colstrip is one of the largest sources of greenhouse gas emissions in the Western U.S. It is not acceptable to us that it continue to pollute our air for the foreseeable future. LWVWA supports the preservation of the physical, chemical and biological integrity of the ecosystem and maximum protection of public health and the environment. Our environmental protection goals are to prevent ecological degradation and to reduce and control pollutants before they go down the sewer, up the chimney, or into the landfill. We would appreciate any steps the Commission can take to curtail PSE's continued reliance on coal-fired generation of electricity. The electricity used by those of us in Western WA from PSE must come increasingly from non-polluting renewable energy sources.

Thank you for your attention to our concerns.

Sincerely,

Peggy Bruton, for the League of Women Voters of WA