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Mark L. Johnson  
Executive Director and Secretary  
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June 23, 2021

Regarding: Docket Number 210191

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The Mount Vernon Chamber of Commerce 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 The Mount Vernon Chamber, as a PSE customer, reduce our operating costs and those of the 500+ businesses we represent through lower fuel and maintenance expenditures for their vehicles.

The TE Plan supports our business and community 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.

While the Mount Vernon Chamber encourages plans to incorporate electric vehicles into all business operations in our region, 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.

Thank you for considering our strong support of PSE's TE Plan. We look forward to working with them to greatly increase the utilization of electric fleets in our region.

Sincerely,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark L. Johnson".

President/CEO

*As a regional Chamber we serve and promote our members and actively encourage economic growth.*

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