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Mark L. Johnson
Executive Director and Secretary
P.O. Box 47250
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Olympia, WA 98504-7250

Regarding: Docket Number 210191

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Bloedel Reserve is pleased to offer this letter of support for 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 Bloedel Reserve, as a PSE customer, reduce our operating costs through lower fuel and maintenance expenditures for our 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.

Bloedel Reserve is a public garden and nature reserve situated on Bainbridge Island. Our primary focus is the sustainable operation of our 150-acre, waterfront public garden in accordance with four organizational priorities: excellence in horticulture & design, commitment to sustainability, stewardship and conservation, promotion of nature & well-being, and stimulation of inspiration & creativity. Approximately 60,000 people enjoy our spectacular grounds year-round through walks on more than 2 miles of groomed trails, guided tours, lectures and facilitated discussions, community concerts and readings, and other special events.

Our team here at the Reserve is deeply interested in the potential electrification of our current, mainly fossil fuel-powered, work vehicles, work trucks and tractors. Additionally, to fit within our conservation and sustainability goals we aim to one day provide electric charging stations to enable our guests to charge their own vehicles. We are very encouraged to note that a large focus of PSE's TE Plan is to support the electrification of Fleet and Commercial transportation customers, as this supports our future plans. Bloedel Reserve hopes that this program provides a mechanism to partner with PSE and we hope to be a successful applicant to the program in the future.

While Bloedel Reserve 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.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "E. Moydell".

Edward Moydell
The Richard A. Brown President & CEO
Bloedel Reserve

