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Subject: Comments regarding PSE's RFP UE-160808
Attachments: Comments on PSE RFP UE-160808.pdf

Dear Commissioners,

Please see the attached comments that CENSE would like to submit regarding PSE's RFP for increased Demand Response and other smart technologies.

These comments were written before EnerNOC submitted its comments on this RFP. A quick review of EnerNOC's concerns reveals a possible weakness in the RFP. By asking for only 51 MW of load curtailment by 2021, it's not clear to vendors if it's worth their effort, especially if multiple vendors will be used. Is PSE merely dipping its toe in the water with a minimal program? Would a larger program jeopardize the need for the Energize Eastside transmission line?

We think it's feasible to scale the RFP to a reasonable size that will address the need to service Eastside peak demand, and thereby increase interest from vendors. If PSE says a larger program would not be cost-effective, we would like to point out that the cost of avoided transmission is not included in Appendix E of the RFP, thus exaggerating the costs compared to the new transmission line.

Sincerely,

Don Marsh, President
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