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RE: Docket UE-231031 (Advice No. 2023-60) Puget Sound Energy's Electric Tariff Revision

I want to share that I am in full support of PSE's request for a formal extension of the current net metering tariff. I do not have solar, but I know many people who do. And I believe that approval of this filing is important for all PSE customers.

I am also a registered Native American. Clean energy is important to me to protect this beautiful land of my ancestors, for the future benefit of my children. But I am against the large solar farms that take up tribal lands and open spaces. I believe that solar on houses is the right approach to increasing the amount of renewable energy there is. But in order for solar on homes to make sense, the compensation rate has to be fair. And the only way to truly know what is truly fair is for a detailed and impartial study to be done that considers not just the cost of solar to those on the grid, but also the significant benefits that it provides to everyone, even those without solar.

In the UTC documents I read something about this specific tariff not benefiting low income households. As someone living close to the poverty level, I am certainly interested in finding ways that low income families like mine can benefit from clean energy. But even if I never directly benefit financially from this specific utility rate, I am receiving benefits through other programs in place for low income customers that help me pay my power bill. And I appreciate that PSE, by working with the solar industry and others to find the best future net metering rate, is taking the needs of all it's customers into account so we can all get the benefits of clean energy on homes and businesses, even if we can't afford to put it on our own home.

Please approve this rate request, which will give time for the needed study to be completed.

Thank you.

Emily Nelson