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Dear Commissioners:

As a long time PSE customer and Green Energy purchaser, I am dismayed with the PSE plan to continue using coal and gas for the undetermined future. First of all, we know that sufficient renewable energy is available. We know that wind and solar are now competitive with fossil fuels. We know that climate change is going to require that we lower our carbon footprint and at a very steep rate. We know that Washington is considering levying a carbon tax for this purpose, and future gas plant production which PSE is contemplating would be taxed and that tax would be passed on to us. I expect that, in the near future, climate change mitigation may leave currently proposed gas production in the limbo of stranded assets.

Clearly, there is more than enough financial incentive to make the switch to renewables, but the overriding emergency is climate change mitigation. We have a moral responsibility to leave this planet at least in as good shape as we found it. Future generations will condemn our behavior if we refuse to act when the danger is so clear and pressing, especially if our reason to ignore our responsibility is to maintain short term profit.

You have an historically significant opportunity to make the right decision at this crossroad. I sincerely hope that you have the courage and imagination to do so. We are counting on you!

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