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To:	Danner, Dave (UTC)
Subject:	PSE LNG is not in the public interest!
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Dear Commissioner Dave Danner,

Dear Commissioners Rendahl, Danner, and Balasbas,

I am writing in support of the request for an investigation and public hearing regarding Filing No. UG-210111.

The Commission must examine new information about safety risks of design changes at the facility. These changes should undergo a rigorous SEPA review. PSE should not be allowed to operate the facility until we know it is safe. PSE's commercial interest in operating the plant should not supersede the safety of the people of Tacoma.

The Puyallup Tribe and environmental advocates are challenging the project before the Pollution Control Hearings Board. It's premature to operate the facility until that Board's decision is known.

I believe you've heard from the Puyallup Tribe and others about PSE's previous bad faith actions, and about the absence of a market for the type of fuel this facility is designed to produce. It seems clear that PSE is merely trying to get the facility running to strengthen their argument that it's a hardship to shut it down if the PCHB's decision is unfavorable.

The UTC should delay the effective date of this contract, prepare updated siting and safety studies, and conduct further proceedings, including an investigation and public hearing, to ensure any contract between PSE and Puget LNG truly serves the public interest.

Sincerely,
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