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To: The UTC,

Ref. Puget Sound Energy Rate Increase Proposal

I have reviewed the proposed rate increase for "Electric Schedule 7", "Residential.

No one likes a rate increase when you are retired and on fixed income.

However we also note that the progressive-liberal-government induced inflation has had an impact on everyone, and we do want Puget Sound Energy to stay in business.

One of my main concerns is that the increase is to fund the move to "decarbonize" the power system. This is government-induced inflation pure and simple.

Get rid of the "decarbonize" portion of the increase. Even if Puget Sound Energy were to totally "decarbonize" the impact would be so small in the big picture that you couldn't even measure it. And when you compare the contribution of Puget Sound Energy to "global warming" it is nothing when you consider the increased amount of CO2 China and India add to the atmosphere each year.

And you know what I say is true.

So why would you destroy my retirement and that of many, many others by forcing us to pay for a "politically correct" but totally ineffective charge to "decarbonize"?

Dennis Patnaude.

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