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[EXTERNAL]

Puget Sound Energy is a private company, with shareholders who want dividends. PSE is also a monopoly, which means customers have no choice in who provides our electricity, which is an essential for daily life. For those reasons, it is very important that PSE submit to monitoring, especially of service quality, compliance with state laws, and rates.

We object vehemently to this 15% rate increase. To "decarbonize energy systems" will result in lower costs according to all the experts. To "recover more than four years of capital and operating investments" was their excuse for the last several increases. To "set rates for a multi-year rate plan" is not a reason but a statement which reflects the lack of respect PSE has for its customers.

We request that this increase be denied.

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