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[EXTERNAL]

I disapprove of a rate increase for PSE on the following grounds:

1. I am tired of flickering lights, power surges and 'interruptions' (*not 'actionable' by legal definition - as 'power failure'.*) *The People* of Washington, need and deserve NOW: a reliable supply and cheaper system of power IN EACH COMMUNITY. **

2. PSE is unwieldy and expensive as a power distribution system: Long distances-Distribution Methods/Centralization of distribution: **Vagaries of weather/ Each part vulnerable to computer hacking.** PSEs mgmt/ownership structure/centralized bureaucracy: **lacks flexibility to innovate and respond to changes.**

3. PSE has a conflict-of-interest with the people and communities of

Washington: It is owned and profits from rate-hikes, and its' management is approved by, a for-profit company responsible to shareholders not the taxpayers of Washington.

4 . PSE has a conflict-of-interest with 'competition' to PSE. e.g. solar or wind turbines owned/operated by landowners not allowed in Washington. In Scotland, Ireland and U.K., almost every farm has its own wind turbine(s) + solar. Communities need LOCAL GRIDS.** (less weather/hacking issues)

6. After recent Supreme Court decisions, Texas Freeze Meltdowns'/Brownouts /Overheated Power Grids may now be possible in Washington State. Last rate-hike request, I was informed "Federal Regulations would prevent that scenario from happening here". Since then, recent Supreme Court decisions restricted Federal Government Regulations, regulations which protect communities from Businesses putting Profit over communities and people.

7. PSE too slow for today's changing climate. Technology is available. Manpower is available. People are ready. **LET'S DO IT in each community NOW!**

For these reasons **I do not approve of a rate hike for PSE without a forceful, and well publicized, Climate-Responsive** plan for immediate implementation in local communities.**

NATURE isn't waiting!

** Local Community Grids/individual ownership for wind-turbines/solar:

PSE buy-backs & PSE legal Assistance for Local 'Zoning/codes,etc' Objections. We deserve a reliable, cheaper and better power supply system NOW.

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P.S. If I am wrong about anything in this email, please give me specific corrections.