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Dear Commissioner Dave Danner,

TO: Commissioners Rendahl, Danner, Balasbas.

Please initiate an investigation and public hearing regarding Filing No. UG-210111, to ensure that the affiliated interest contract between Puget LNG and Puget Sound Energy serves the public interest.

It appears that the contract between Puget LNG and Puget Sound Energy is not in the public interest. This is due to allowing operations to proceed at the Tacoma LNG facility despite unexamined safety risks -- due to design changes -- at the facility and an inadequate SEPA review.

In January, 2021, Washington Attorney General filed an amicus brief in support of the lawsuit challenging PSE's LNG facility, stating that "by obscuring the Project's actual climate impact and omitting the speculative nature of its assumptions, the FSEIS failed in its primary purpose under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA)."

There's no urgency to begin operations at the facility, as PSE currently has no demand for Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG). LNG for fueling marine vessels--purportedly the primary purpose of the facility--is not needed until next year.

PSE has only one vessel fueling contract, which is with TOTE Marine, and TOTE needs to retrofit its ships to run on LNG which it does not anticipate completing until the first quarter 2022 at the earliest. Nor does PSE anticipate needing LNG for peak shaving until at least December 2021, because it is only forecasted to be needed during periods of high demand during the coldest winter months.

DO NOT PERMIT the Tacoma LNG facility to begin operation before legal challenges have been resolved.

It's essential that the Puyallup Tribe and advocates have a fair hearing, which is not possible if PSE is allowed to turn on the facility in the midst of deliberation.

There are unexamined safety issues, inadequate environmental review, and no immediate need

for LNG stored at the facility.

Thank you.

Dr. Demian

Sincerely,
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