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**Subject:** PSE rate increase

[EXTERNAL]

Hello,

We would like to submit public comment regarding the requested PSE rate changes. With a recession and unemployment rates rising, we feel that these price increases for electricity and natural gas service are excessive. We understand that improvements are needed to our power grid, but a more reasonable rate of 3% each year would be much more appropriate and in line with what the average customer could reasonably afford. With the outlandish increases requested, there will be an increase in requests for financing options and coverage of basic energy costs. We urge the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission to firmly reject the proposed increases and for the Public Counsel Unit of the Attorney General to do the same. As long time Puget Sound Energy Customers we know our household will struggle with these huge increases.

Sincerely,

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