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Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2013 1:33 PM
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From: Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Howard Whiting <hwhiting38@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2013 9:18 AM
To: UTC DL Records Center
Subject: RE: Comments on Puget Sound Energy Integrated Resource Plan (UE-120767)

Aug 20, 2013

Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC) WA

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Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2013 9:48 AM
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From: Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Bob smith <smith@sierra.org>
Sent: Monday, August 19, 2013 10:16 PM
To: UTC DL Records Center
Subject: RE: Comments on Puget Sound Energy Integrated Resource Plan (UE-120767)

Aug 20, 2013

Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC) WA

Dear (UTC),

I want more electricity. If the Sierra Club does not want this electricity then let their members live in candlelight. After all these are the same people that are demanding that the dams which produce electricity without coal be dismantled.

Sincerely,

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From: Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Jo Day <harambee85@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2013 7:06 AM
To: UTC DL Records Center
Subject: RE: Comments on Puget Sound Energy Integrated Resource Plan (UE-120767)

Aug 15, 2013

Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC) WA

Dear (UTC),

I believe the PSE is moving off coal. Maybe they could just do it a little faster.

Sincerely,

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Olympia, WA 98506-2604

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From: Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Mary Stamp <mstamp@q.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2013 2:03 PM
To: UTC DL Records Center
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Aug 20, 2013

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Aug 20, 2013

Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC) WA

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Most of the main concerns with PSE's 2013 Integrated Resource Plan (UE-120767) are speculative and ideological at best; particularly since they are based upon the faulty application of the dubious "precautionary principle".

I urge the commission to fairly and critically evaluate PSE's long range plan and have them incorporate the true cost and benefits of coal.

Sincerely,

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From: Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Sean Edmison
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Sincerely,

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From: Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Jan Stewart <stewartjr_5@hotmail.com>
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Jan Stewart
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From: Sierra Club <information@sierraclub.org> on behalf of Kyle Waller
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Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2013 8:34 PM
To: UTC DL Records Center
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Aug 20, 2013

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Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2013 5:33 PM
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Subject: RE: Comments on Puget Sound Energy Integrated Resource Plan (UE-120767)

Aug 20, 2013

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