

December 19, 2012

Dave Danner
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COMMENTS ON DOCKET UE-121373

Dear Mr. Danner:

We support the power purchase agreement for "coal transition power" between the TransAlta Corporation and Puget Sound Energy – Docket UE-121373 – as long as TransAlta honors its negotiated settlement with the below-signed organizations under which TransAlta will provide \$55 million in transition funding for weatherization, economic and community development in Lewis County and South Thurston County, and energy technology innovation.

Our endorsement of this "coal transition power" is consistent with our shared interest in and state policy goals to reduce climate pollution because it is part of an agreement under which the plant is scheduled to retire. "Coal transition power" is, as the name implies, power sold pursuant to a transition plan for retiring coal-powered electric generation. As such, our support is consistent with our efforts to accelerate the transition to clean energy and phase coal out of our power supplies as expeditiously and fairly as possible.

Sincerely,

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