

Aug 31, 2017 STATEMENT ON PSE to UTC

My name is Joy Vartanian from Gig Harbor area.

Until PSE will agree to shut down its coal-based electricity plants in Montana/Wyoming, deny PSE any rate increases.

I get my electricity from Peninsula Light, a co-op formed through efforts of FDR. Peninsula Light gets 84% of power from Hydro, 10% Nuclear, Wind 3%, Coal 3% and Natural Gas 1%.

PSE gets over 30% of its electricity from coal. If our little co-op can get electricity from renewable resources, so can PSE.

Further, Bonneville Power now has a surplus of electricity because what was sold (surplus) to California is no longer necessary — rooftop solar there plus conservation has negated the need to purchase electricity.

If Hurricane Harvey has not shown the need to reduce fossil fuels — the main accelerant of climate change — what is wrong with us?

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