Comments on PSE's Integrated Resource Plan (IRP)

Docket number (UE-160918 and UG-160919)

I am specifically commenting on Chapter 8 of the IRP.

Batteries 01/15/17

The study done by Strategen is three years old. The price of batteries has fallen significantly since then. I think PSE should do another study that incorporates flow batteries, which are long-lasting and safe. I believe a battery installation would be much less money than the $300 million that Energize Eastside would cost its customers!
As a ratepayer, this would be a much preferred use of my money than chopping down mature trees that mitigate energy costs due to shade and cooling. Trees are also part of the identity of our city of Bellevue, which is also known as "City in a Park".
If I wanted to be surrounded by ugly infrastructure instead of trees, I would not have chosen to live in Bellevue. Please tell PSE to go back and do it right this time.

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