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Dear Washington UTC,

Be the change you want to see in the world!!!! Your areas of service are some of the most advanced-and quickly advancing- technological locations in the world. You could get so much more positive exposure translating to more sustainable success, by editing your plans to ONLY include CLEAN sustainable energy in compliance with the recently passed law. You would put yourself in the national media in the most positive way!!! I could see a future of your staff showing up on morning talk shows educating people about disaster planing, how to save on energy expenses, run their homes as cleanly as possible, because you would truly be worthy of the multimedia exposure. You should be striving to be an HONESTLY superior LEADER of the energy world. Companies would be proud to use you instead of trying to muddle through maintaining their own energy system (ie MICROSOFT). I know personally there has been serious accidents at Microsoft, costing them a lot of money, trying to maintain their own infrastructure. You being a truly cutting edge CLEAN energy company would enable companies, like Microsoft, to return to your maintenance 100% and publicly be able to brag that they use only the BEST in clean energy.... YOU. It saddens me that your current plans don?t support this extremely BRIGHT (pun intended) future I see as a possibility. Again. Be the change you want to see!!! And then you can brag your ass off publicly, and enjoy the financial return. I also know from the inside that clean energy plans may initially cost more to build and set up, just like an electric car, but that you would quickly see the return of your investment above and beyond what you would gain with building more ?traditional? natural gas extraction sites. You can more than afford the investment. Just don?t lower the cost for the consumer right away. Create a delay in that savings to the customer so you can recoup the additional funds you invested into the clean energy infrastructure. I?m more than happy to remain oblivious and just pay the bill that shows up to my house, and not question whether you are sharing the savings yet. No one will question that. Best of luck in your CLEAN endeavors.

I am writing to ask the Utilities and Transportation Commission to not allow Puget Sound Energy (PSE) to build new gas power plants for their long-range electricity plan and to reduce their use of gas for the long-range gas plan.

According to the International Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), natural gas is far more damaging to the climate than previously thought. Gas may be as bad as coal for the climate. And natural gas certainly is not "natural" when the impacts of hydraulic fracturing or "fracking" to extract gas is poisoning groundwater in communities across the country.

Our new 100% clean electricity law -- the Clean Energy Transformation Act (CETA) -- requires all utilities to be 80% fossil fuel free by 2030 and 100% by 2045. The last thing we need to do is build new gas power plants that would be around for decades. The intent of CETA is to wind down on gas power in our electricity, not ramp it up.

Our new state law that establishes science-based fossil fuel reductions that come from the IPCC, call for 95% reductions by 2050 and 70% reductions by 2040. Yet PSE's long-range plan for its gas utility shows virtually no reductions for the next 20 years. PSE fails to follow recommendations in Washington's new State Energy Strategy that identifies moving buildings from gas to electricity as a key strategy for climate protection.

Enough is enough. PSE must take climate change seriously before it is too late. Please reject PSE's electricity and gas plans.

Sincerely,

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