

July 15, 2021

Mark L. Johnson
Executive Director and Secretary
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Regarding: Docket Number 210191

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The Energy Project (TEP) is pleased to offer this letter of support for Puget Sound Energy's (PSE) proposed Transportation Electrification (TE) Plan. We believe that electrifying transportation is a vital way to reduce carbon emissions in the state, as well as improve the well-being of low-income and vulnerable communities through targeted investments in projects specifically designed to serve the needs of these community members.

The TE Plan supports the TEP's goal of advocating for equitable investment in electric vehicle (EV) infrastructure. PSE has been very supportive of a number of pilots proposed by TEP and other community groups that direct benefits to low-income and vulnerable communities. One such pilot includes the use of EVs in Low-Income Weatherization, which aims to reduce costs associated with project completion while significantly reducing GHG emissions generated in the course of that work. Another pilot involves the utilization of a bus to provide transportation to low-income students attending HeadStart, which will reduce the children's exposure to diesel emissions as well as reduce transportation costs. These pilots and others may provide templates for replication across the state or nationally for methods to direct benefits from TE investments into hard to reach communities.

The Energy Project appreciates the opportunity to support PSE's TE Plan and we look forward to working with them into the future.

Sincerely,



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