I am deeply concerned that the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC) is now considering loosening the requirements for electric utilities to use 100% clean energy by 2045. We need a clean electric grid to help transition our transportation and buildings sectors off fossil fuels. Therefore, I have strong opposition to any loosening of that 100% clean CETA requirement.

The UTC must revise its draft rule to eliminate the use of “retained Renewable Energy Credits (RECs)” – a term found nowhere in the statute nor in common usage. The UTC also must eliminate all other provisions of the draft rule that would allow a utility to rely on electricity that it has sold to meet its obligation to serve customers in Washington with clean energy. This absolutely offsets any benefits of our clean energy requirement. CETA means what it says: utilities must use clean energy to serve their Washington customers.

Thank you for considering these comments and for protecting our health and our environment.
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