To: <u>Public Involvement (UTC)</u>

Subject: Public comment on November 7 UTC Hearing on 2019 IRP petition (UE-190485)

Date: Sunday, November 3, 2019 8:58:10 AM

Good morning:

I am appalled that UTC staff is requesting a cancellation of the 2019 IRP. Instead, the UTC should pause all investor owned utility major infrastructure projects until the next (2021) IRP document has been delivered and acknowledged – utilities should not move forward with new infrastructure projects which are unguided by the IRP process and while the new CETA legislation is not yet in place.

There are multiple 2019 IRP action items which PSE has said will be resolved in the 2019 IRP document. The 2019 IRP document, answering these action items, must be delivered. PSE needs to be held accountable for these action items.

Plus, PSE needs to disclose the last 10 years of summer and winter demand peaks, which are critical for future planning.

Finally, PSE has claimed that renewable energy costs will increase. What references does PSE have to justify an increase in solar energy costs?

Thank you for taking my comments into consideration. The UTC is the oversight organization for a critical aspect of our climate crisis. Don't shirk your duty now.

Sincerely, Diane Emerson

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