

From: [Taylor Dabb](#)
To: [Mak, Chanda \(ATG\)](#)
Subject: Re: PSE Rate Increase - Disapproval
Date: Friday, February 01, 2019 1:09:19 PM

Hello Chanda,

Thank you for your response. I hope you can understand how frustrating it is to hear that a joint settlement has already been reached and that seemingly no action beyond exhibiting objections is being taken. My trust in institutional politics is further eroded. I have taken some time to read through the various filings on the dockets and feel that the settlement was made without considering the financial toll that the rate increase will have on the general public.

I can appreciate that certain parties have made an attempt to look out for those most in need, for example by advocating for a matching increase in funding for programs helping low income families in our area. I can also appreciate the environmental stewards attempting to influence policy change to help our environmental future. This does not change my position that a rate increase puts undue burden on the families in our area. I can not afford to miss a day of work to travel to Olympia to attend the public hearing, nor do I have any faith that my testimony would make any difference to the WUTC commissioners.

Please be sure that the public counsel unit is made aware of the fact that they have lost the faith of a constituent.

Thank you,

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On Fri, Feb 1, 2019 at 10:43 AM Mak, Chanda (ATG) <ChandaM@atg.wa.gov> wrote:

Dear Taylor Dabb:

Thank you for contacting the Washington Attorney General's office, Public Counsel Unit, and for providing your comment on Puget Sound Energy's rate request filed November 7, 2018 (Dockets UE-180899 and UG-180900 (Consolidated)). The Public Counsel Unit represents residential and small business customers in proceedings before the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC). Public Counsel has been actively involved in this matter on behalf of PSE ratepayers.

Recently, an all-party settlement agreement was reached, which includes Public Counsel. The Settlement Agreement along with testimonies in support were filed on January 30th with the Commission. To view the terms of the Settlement Agreement and testimony, please visit the WUTC website at <https://www.utc.wa.gov/docs/Pages/DocketLookup.aspx> and type in either docket numbers listed above in the search bar.

As a part of our work, we collect public comments received by our office and the WUTC, and file them as an exhibit, into the record, to be considered by the Commission as they make their decision. **Your comment will be included in this exhibit.**

A public hearing is currently scheduled in this matter where customers can comment directly before the WUTC Commissioners. You may consider attending, as all customers are encouraged to do so. It will take place at the following date, time and location:

Tuesday, February 5, 2019

Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission

Time: 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW

Olympia, WA 98504-7250

If you cannot attend, you can also direct any additional comments you may have to the WUTC via the following methods:

Via email at: consumer@utc.wa.gov

Via online comment form at: <http://www.utc.wa.gov/comment/form>

By mail at: UTC, P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504

By phone at: 1.800.562.6150

Again, thank you for taking the time to contact our office on this important matter and for your comments. Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

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From: Taylor Dabb <taylordabb@gmail.com>

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Subject: PSE Rate Increase - Disapproval

Hello representative of the Public Counsel Section of the Washington Attorney General's office,

I am writing today to voice my dissatisfaction with the proposed ERF filed by PSE on 11/7/18. This proposed rate increase puts undue burden on families for whom utility costs are already too high. Myself and many neighbors use natural gas to heat their home, and put simply a cost increase of 2.7% will hurt hard-working, tax-paying families.

I ask that you and your colleagues fight this rate increase with all of your authority, for the

sake of many Washington families that are already struggling to keep their loved ones warm.

Thank you,

Taylor Dabb

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