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Subject: Reject higher electricity rates requested by PSE (reference Docket UE-200980)

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ToState Attorney General, Bob Ferguson:

Since I couldn't have said it better myself, I am using CENSE'S statement to request a denial of PSE's electricity rate hike. PSE is saying **decreasing customer electricity usage** is one reason why the company needs to raise rates. It needs to recover over \$80 million the company has spent to promote Energize Eastside, based on the assumption that the Eastside is consuming more electricity. PSE refuses to disclose data showing Eastside demand trends during the past decade.

Energize Eastside appears to be an expensive and unnecessary boondoggle that should have been abandoned years ago. Now is the time to ask the UTC to reject higher electric rates until PSE becomes more transparent about Eastside demand. We want PSE to abandon Energize Eastside and invest in modern technologies that would increase reliability while keeping energy bills reasonable.

Please deny PSE's request. They are using old technology and are in denial that many other improved state of the art options are available. Not to mention the hundreds of old growth trees that are victims of their blatant destructive land use approach.

Thank you.

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