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[EXTERNAL]

PSE wants to increase our rates because customers are using less electricity. But unfortunately, In the near future, PSE will ask to raise rates again 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.

It is your function to ensure that PSE is not making decisions at the expense of customers purely for the benefit of their investors and that their decision making is logical, sound, and based on independently verified facts and forecasts.

I urge you to encourage PSE to abandon Energize Eastside and invest in modern technologies that would increase reliability while keeping energy bills reasonable before granting rate increases.

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