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**Re: In the Matter of Puget Sound Energy Report Identifying Its 2018
2019 Electric Biennial Conservation Target Under RCW 19.285.040 and
WAC 480-109-120, Docket UE-171087**

UCONS Proposed Conservation Program for Manufactured Homes

Dear Mr. Johnson,

The Energy Project (TEP) is writing in response to UCONS' proposal to Puget Sound Energy (PSE), filed on June 19, 2018 in this docket. As a member of PSE's Conservation Resource Advisory Group (CRAG), we feel that it is important to clarify that TEP is not endorsing, nor did it participate in the formulation of the proposal. UCONS did reach out to TEP on several occasions to discuss its desire to secure a contract for the delivery of energy efficiency services to all manufactured home residents, as well as PSE customers living in manufactured homes who are eligible for low-income weatherization.

One additional specific clarification should be noted. UCONS states in its proposal that, in the "current low-income program process [...] there is no competitive bidding." This is not factually correct. As required by the Department of Energy Weatherization Assistance Program and the Washington State Department of Commerce, every low-income weatherization program utilizing those program's funds must conduct a competitive bidding process, such as a Request for Proposals or Request for Qualifications process, in their selection of contractors participating in the delivery of the program.

TEP is supportive of efforts to identify and deliver services to all low-income households in PSE service territory and beyond. We look forward to working with PSE and other CRAG members in the review of this proposal and how it pertains to PSE's 2018-19 Biannual Conservation Plan.

Sincerely,



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