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Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
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Re: Puget Sound Energy's Proposed Sale of Non-Controlling Interest in Puget Holdings LLC
Docket U-180680

Dear WUTC Commission:

As a citizen, ratepayer, and taxpayer I oppose the ownership of our utility Puget Sound Energy (PSE) being controlled by any foreign entity. It is concerning now with the sale of PSE to Canadian and the Netherland majority control. The decision in 2008-2009 allowing acquisition by a private equity of shareholders -Macquarie passed by a narrow margin. The acquisition was opposed by our Washington Attorney General with concern over the commissions ability to regulate the utility. The WUTC must regain proper control now and regulate to protect citizens from unnecessary rate increase and the safety of our grid.

Please consider this sale by requiring a rigorous review by the Committee of Foreign Investment (CFIUS). With all the risks of national security, cyber security, and physical security all causing our electric grid vulnerable.

PSE has become a monopoly with little oversight. Foreign ownership of PSE fails to serve the best interests of the people and communities it serves. I have written to you before with concern. For the last five years i have been involved with a group of citizens fighting a PSE project called "Energize Eastside". This sale should be stopped. The citizens do not want the risk, or harm being caused by this company. They have us hostage.

Sincerely,

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