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I am a PSE customer. I am extremely concerned about PSE's 2023 Gas Integrated Resource Plan and its "Preferred Portfolio," which offers only minimal progress in reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, and recommends unproven technology that isn't available yet. The Gas IRP presents data as if the cost to society of emitting greenhouse gases was unimportant. However, urgent reports from the IPCC, not to mention requirements in our state's own Climate Commitment Act (CCA), show that this is an unrealistic, distorted way to analyze what is truly the "lowest cost."

In the plan, PSE ignores the intent of the CCA, which is to *reduce GHG emissions*, and instead proposes the purchase of increasing quantities of carbon allowances to emit 133 million metric tons of carbon equivalent gases. They intend to pass the cost of these allowances, exceeding \$10 billion, on to ratepayers. This turns the CCA on its head, and is extremely unfair and harmful for the young people alive today, not to mention future generations.

Within the emissions reductions that PSE's plan does propose, approximately a quarter would be achieved by mixing Green Hydrogen into natural gas deliveries. Obtaining these large quantities of hydrogen is not practical--it's risky, expensive, and inefficient as a way of reducing emissions.

In its plan, PSE rejected viable alternatives that would achieve real emissions reductions, stabilize energy costs, and avoid unproven technologies. I strongly agree with the Washington Clean Energy Coalition's letter, https://apiproxy.utc.wa.gov/cases/GetDocument?

docID=50&year=2022&docketNumber=220242, dated May 8, 2023.

Along with the Washington Clean Energy Coalition, I urge you to reject this IRP. It's time for us to work towards a comprehensive planning process that prioritizes effective, holistic solutions to our climate crisis, social equity, and stakeholder input. This is a better way for PSE and its customers to achieve an equitable and sustainable future.

Please reject PSE's Gas Integrated Resource Plan.

Thank you for the work you do, examining utilities' plans on behalf of the public. Jennifer Keller Bellevue, WA 98007