## Wyse, Lisa (UTC)

From:

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Sent:

Friday, January 29, 2016 3:11 PM

To:

Wyse, Lisa (UTC)

Subject:

16 Individual Comments on Dockets UG-141169 and UE-141170

**Attachments:** 

16 Individual Comments on Dockets UG-141169 and UE-141170\_PPC.pdf

Dear Ms. Wyse,

Attached is a PDF containing 16 individual comments on Dockets UG-141169 and UE-141170.

Please let me know if you have any problems with the file.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Joelle Robinson, Field Director, Power Past Coal

Mark Hennon 612 1st Ave W apt 102 Seattle, WA 98119-4417

December 21, 2015

Dear UTC Commissioners for PSE IRP,

Please stop using coal & other carbon!!!

As a concerned Washington resident, I urge you not to acknowledge any proposal that does not address a retirement plan for Puget Sound Energy?s dirty, dangerous, and increasingly expensive coal plant. You said it yourselves: ?To embark on investments [in Colstrip] with so much uncertainty could be harmful to PSE, its ratepayers and the broader public interest.?

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Sincerely,

Sincerely, Mark Hennon Richard Curtis PO Box 451 Ethel, WA 98542

December 12, 2015

Dear UTC Commissioners for PSE IRP,

As a retired scientist I am very familiar with the cost that relying on burning coal will have on the only planet humans will ever know. There are many options currently available for replacing dirty coal to generate power including conservation. That is why. I urge you to reject any proposal that does not address a retirement plan for Puget Sound Energy's dirty, dangerous, and increasingly expensive coal plant. You said it yourselves: "To embark on investments [in Colstrip] with so much uncertainty could be harmful to PSE, its ratepayers and the broader public interest."

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Sincerely,

Sincerely, Richard Curtis Gayle Janzen 11232 Dayton Ave N Seattle, WA 98133

December 11, 2015

Dear UTC Commissioners for PSE IRP,

Coal is the dirtiest form of energy so it's long past time for PSE to address a retirement plan for the aging and expensive Colstrip coal plant in Montana. It's frustrating that PSE acknowledges that to continue to invest in Colstrip is harmful to PSE, its ratepayers and public interest, yet you refuse to take the necessary steps to finally retire this coal plant. This is the time to be investing in alterative energy instead of wasting our tax dollars on propping up the coal industry. PSE needs to take the lead and move forward instead of keeping one foot in the past that is harmful to the citizens of our state.

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Sincerely,

Sincerely, Gayle Janzen Maradel Gale 239 Parfitt Way SW Bainbridge Island, WA 98110

December 11, 2015

Dear UTC Commissioners for PSE IRP,

The time to wean ourselves and our energy providers off of dirty fossil fuels is NOW! As a concerned Washington resident, I urge you to refuse to acknowledge any proposal that does not address a retirement plan for Puget Sound Energy?s dirty, dangerous, and increasingly expensive coal plant. You said it yourselves: ?To embark on investments [in Colstrip] with so much uncertainty could be harmful to PSE, its ratepayers and the broader public interest.?

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Sincerely,

Sincerely, Maradel Gale Lorena Havens PO Box 179 Acme, WA 98220

December 11, 2015

Dear UTC Commissioners for PSE IRP,

Please help Puget Sound to have safer alternative forms of energy.

As a concerned Washington resident, I urge you not to acknowledge any proposal that does not address a retirement plan for Puget Sound Energy?s dirty, dangerous, and increasingly expensive coal plant. You said it yourselves: ?To embark on investments [in Colstrip] with so much uncertainty could be harmful to PSE, its ratepayers and the broader public interest.?

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Sincerely,

Sincerely, Lorena Havens Brie Gyncild 1407 15th Avenue Seattle, WA 98122-4117

December 13, 2015

Dear UTC Commissioners for PSE IRP,

We're proud of our efforts to protect our environment in Washington state. But Puget Sound Energy's reliance on the Colstrip coal plant severely compromises our efforts to reduce carbon and end our reliance on fossil fuels.

The Colstrip coal plant must be retired, as quickly and gracefully as possible. It's important for the planet, and it's important for PSE's financial health.

The money we'd have to spend to maintain and upgrade the Colstrip plant can be much better spent investing in renewable energy solutions, energy efficiency -- and even retraining opportunities for those who will lose their jobs when the plant is retired.

Coal is of the past; we must work for a cleaner, greener future if our species and others are to survive. All across the country, communities and utilities have declared that coal is too costly and risky for ratepayers, including Portland General Electric and TransAlta here in the Northwest. More than 200 coal plants are slated to retire. It is time to develop a plan to transition off coal and to invest in clean energy for the benefit of ratepayers, our local economy, and our children?s future.

Sincerely,

Sincerely, Brie Gyncild

Carol Bryan 1616 West Clarke Ave SPOKANE, WA 99201 December 14, 2015

Dear UTC Commissioners for PSE IRP,

Save our City!

As a concerned Spokane citizen, I urge you not to acknowledge any proposal that does not address a retirement plan for Puget Sound Energy?s dirty, dangerous, and increasingly expensive coal plant. You said it yourselves: ?To embark on investments [in Colstrip] with so much uncertainty could be harmful to PSE, its ratepayers and the broader public interest.?

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Sincerely,

Sincerely, Carol Bryan Teresa Hopkins 1826 1st St Kirkland, WA 98033

December 13, 2015

Dear UTC Commissioners for PSE IRP,

I want to do my part to address and alleviate climate change. In order to do that I need you to do your part. The way our electricity is generated is a major component of the problem. Please, work to "retire" the Colstrip coal power plant -- it is one of the most effective things we could do here in the Northwest to help address climate change.

Given the costs of climate change, it would also be a smart move economically. It could even be a smart move economically within PSE's interests, given the rapid way things are changing.

Please do the smart thing and the morally right thing. Put us on the path to less destructive and more healthful electricity production.

Sincerely,

Sincerely, Teresa Hopkins Linda Baker 1634 S. 3rd Street Mount Vernon, WA 98273

December 12, 2015

Dear UTC Commissioners for PSE IRP,

Energy Efficient Advances Needed - Dump Colstrip Coal ASAP.

As a concerned Washington resident, I urge you not to acknowledge any proposal that does not address a retirement plan for Puget Sound Energy?s dirty, dangerous, and increasingly expensive coal plant. You said it yourselves: ?To embark on investments [in Colstrip] with so much uncertainty could be harmful to PSE, its ratepayers and the broader public interest.?

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Sincerely,

Sincerely, Linda Baker Sarah Doherty 7337 Alonzo Ave NW Seattle, WA 98117

December 13, 2015

Dear UTC Commissioners for PSE IRP,

I am writing to express my support for an energy plan that works towards the retirement of coal-fired power plants in Puget Sound Energy?s portfolio. You said it yourselves: ?To embark on investments [in Colstrip] with so much uncertainty could be harmful to PSE, its ratepayers and the broader public interest.?

This is not the time to dump hundreds of millions of dollars of dollars into an outdated, out-of-state coal plant. Instead, let's be smart and think long-term: invest in the future of this region by building energy efficiency and renewable energy solutions that will create thousands of well-paying jobs, improve public health, and significantly cut carbon pollution.

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Sincerely,

Sincerely, Sarah J. Doherty Mary Ann Kirkpatrick 6611 172nd Pl SW Edmonds, WA 98026

December 22, 2015

Dear UTC Commissioners for PSE IRP,

"Colstrip" is one of the worst threats to Public Health!

As a concerned Washington resident, I urge you not to acknowledge any proposal that does not address a retirement plan for Puget Sound Energy?s dirty, dangerous, and increasingly expensive coal plant. You said it yourselves: ?To embark on investments [in Colstrip] with so much uncertainty could be harmful to PSE, its ratepayers and the broader public interest.?

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Sincerely,

Sincerely, Mary Ann Kirkpatrick Rene Kratz 10115 2nd PL SE Lake Stevens, WA 98258

December 12, 2015

Dear UTC Commissioners for PSE IRP,

Global Climate Change is real and is already having consequences for our state like the migration of ocean species from CA and OR north into our waters. Misguided politicians in our nation's capitol continue to slow progress on this issue, leaving it up to states like ours to take the lead on movement to a clean energy future. The days of coal and oil need to come to an end.

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Sincerely,

Sincerely, Rene Kratz S. Jacky 2411 Lexington St. Steilacoom, WA 98388

December 12, 2015

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I urge you to retire the Colstrip, Montana plant. Retiring Colstrip is the single largest carbon pollution reduction available in the entire Northwest.

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Sincerely,

Sincerely, S. Jacky Andrea Faste 7713 11th Ave NW Seattle, WA 98117

December 12, 2015

Dear UTC Commissioners for PSE IRP,

As a concerned Washington resident and Puget Sound Energy customer, I urge you not to acknowledge any proposal that does not address a retirement plan for Puget Sound Energy?s dirty, dangerous, and increasingly expensive coal plant. You said it yourselves: ?To embark on investments [in Colstrip] with so much uncertainty could be harmful to PSE, its ratepayers and the broader public interest.?

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Sincerely,

Sincerely, Andrea Faste Lynette Weick 7631 Westlund Rd Arlington, WA 98223

December 18, 2015

Dear UTC Commissioners for PSE IRP,

As a concerned Washington resident, I urge you to reject any proposal that does not address a retirement plan for Puget Sound Energy?s dirty, dangerous, and increasingly expensive coal plant.

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Sincerely,

Sincerely, Lynette Weick Libby Hazen 116 Bayside Place Bellingham, WA 98225

December 12, 2015

Dear UTC Commissioners for PSE IRP,

I live near the railroad track in Bellingham and am very aware of the health and safely hazards of transporting coal and oil, before it is even burned and pollutes the air. Our water, our farmlands, and our families are all at risk. There are better answers to our energy needs! Wind and solar power are abundantly available without the costs and risks of fossil fuels.

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Thank you for your consideration of our needs.

Sincerely, Libby Hazen