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Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission P.O Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250

RE: Puget Sound Energy's Integrated Resource Plans for Electricity and Natural Gas Docket UE-160918

Dear Commissioners,

I understand that the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission is reviewing Puget Sound Energy's integrated resource plans for electric and natural gas service. This plan outlines PSE's energy supply and demand expectations for the next 20 years. I support the Sierra Club's position to retire PSE's coal dependency by 2025.

King County is almost half of PSE's service territory and PSE currently gets some 32 percent of its power from coal. King County's climate action plan, a regional effort to combat climate change, calls for the phasing out of all coal-fired electricity by 2025. In light of the Trump administration's retreat from the Paris global climate-change agreement, it is more critical than ever for King County to stick to its climate action plan.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Sincerely,

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