

To: Washington State Department of Ecology

The TransAlta Coal to Gas Transition project is not the climate progress Washington needs. Building new, multi-decade fossil fuel infrastructure during an active climate crisis is fundamentally irresponsible. Ecology's Mitigated Determination of Nonsignificance (MDNS) fails to address the project's true system-wide impacts and must be rejected in favor of a full Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

We are witnessing the severe, compounding realities of climate change right now. Washington is under a statewide wildfire emergency with massive uncontained blazes scorching hundreds of thousands of acres and displacing tens of thousands of residents. Our forests are tinderboxes due to unprecedented drought and critically dry fuels. Permitting a facility that emits over 2 million metric tons of CO₂ annually—and approximately 42.8 million metric tons over its lifetime—directly accelerates the extreme weather, droughts, and atmospheric rivers that destabilize our communities and collapse our electrical grid.

Ecology's review completely ignores the devastating near-term impact of upstream methane gas leakage. Methane is a super-pollutant that is 84 times more potent than CO₂ over a 20-year timeline. By failing to use a 20-year Global Warming Potential (GWP) analytical framework, the SEPA checklist masks the massive greenhouse gas footprint generated by the hydraulic fracturing, pipeline transport, and processing required to feed this facility.

This project also uses a deceptive "peaker plant" classification to bypass Washington's strict high-efficiency emissions rules (RCW 80.80). While framed as emergency backup, the permits allow a 59% capacity factor, locking in continuous, carbon-heavy fossil fuel dependence through 2044. This artificial reliability narrative is a false dilemma. True grid resilience relies on modernizing infrastructure through aggressive energy efficiency, long-duration energy storage, and transmission upgrades, not on deepening our dependence on vulnerable gas supply chains. Furthermore, this plant exists to lock in dirty capacity for Puget Sound Energy (PSE), a company that is already trying to raise rates by 30%, a huge increase to consumers.

Ecology must evaluate the full system of generation and end-use demand rather than assessing this plant in an artificial vacuum. Corporate disclosures reveal that TransAlta's primary motive is to provide a physical, carbon-heavy backbone for power-hungry AI data center sprawl, with active plans to expand fossil fuel operations to Unit 1 over the next decade. This project undermines the Clean Energy Transformation Act (CETA) and sets a dangerous precedent.

Ecology must withdraw the MDNS, require a full EIS that accounts for current climate hazards, and ultimately deny this permit.

Signed,

Signer	City, State	Additional Comments
Valerie Costa	Seattle, WA	

Rick Harlan	Seattle, WA	
Alice Lockhart	Seattle, WA	This is stunning. Believe me, when the plan to shut down coal in WA was born, the general public was led to believe that it would be replaced by renewables. PSE has been profiting from their polluting coal plants for decades and should be held accountable to replace them with renewables forthwith.
Jessi Berkelhammer	Seattle, WA	
Ellen Kissman	Seattle, WA	
Abe Wenning	Seattle, WA	
Christa Erwin	Seattle, WA	We can no longer afford to start up ANY new fossil fuel projects in Washington state or anywhere else. We have already gone too far with climate change. Billions will die and/or be forced to migrate. This includes no coal to gas transitions.
Pennie O'Grady	Seattle, WA	
PJ Phillips	Seattle, WA	
Iris Antman	Seattle, WA	
Gordon Philip Baldwin	Seattle, WA	This looks like a bribe.
Martha Baskin	Seattle, WA	No! We cant allow carbon intense projects for AI data centers. The project undermines CETA and the climate crisis that is already spiraling out of control.
chris edmonds	Seattle, WA	
Stacy Oaks	Marysville, WA	
Selden Prentice	Seattle, WA	
Elisabeth Marcus	Seattle, WA	We are in a climate emergency, and you are responsible to do all in your power to curb it's severity by stopping all new fossil fuel infrastructure and phasing out existing. We need to be expanding clean sustainable and renewable energy sources along with reduction measures, not going further down the death trap of fossil fuels.
Sue Lenander	Seattle, WA	We,Ãre the first generation to feel the impact of climate change, and the last generation that can do something about it. Governor Jay Inslee 3/13/2014 & Barack Obama 9/23/2014

RACHEL HEATON	Pacific, WA	he TransAlta Coal to Gas Transition project is not the climate progress Washington needs. Building new, multi-decade fossil fuel infrastructure during an active climate crisis is fundamentally irresponsible.
Cynthia Jatul	Seattle, WA	Allowing TransAlta to switch from coal to gas generated power, makes absolutely no sense in the face of the climate catastrophes we are already facing. We need to transition off fossil fuels not exchange one for another.
Grace Stahre	Seattle, WA	I'm asking Ecology to withdraw the Mitigated Determination of Nonsignificance for TransAlta's Coal to Gas Transition project and require a full Environmental Impact Statement. The permits run through 2044. A young person starting kindergarten this fall will be out of college before this plant stops burning gas. Young people didn't build this unsustainable system, can't vote on most of these decisions, and will spend their working lives paying for the ones made now. That's the timeline Ecology should be evaluating against. The MDNS misses the actual footprint. Over 2 million metric tons of CO₂e a year, roughly 42.8 million over the plant's life. And the checklist skips upstream methane entirely. Methane is 84 times more potent than CO₂e over 20 years, which is the window that matters for young people alive today. Without a 20-year Global Warming Potential analysis, the fracking, pipeline transport, and processing that feed this facility simply don't appear in the record. The "peaker plant" label is a farce. It sidesteps RCW 80.80's efficiency standards while the permits allow a 59% capacity factor. That isn't emergency backup. Meanwhile Washington is under a statewide

		wildfire emergency, with hundreds of thousands of acres burning and tens of thousands displaced. Students in this state already lose school days and long term health to smoke. Ecology should also look at what this power is for. TransAlta's own disclosures point to AI data center demand and plans to expand fossil operations to Unit 1. Puget Sound Energy is simultaneously seeking a 30% rate increase. Families absorb that cost; young people inherit the emissions. Grid reliability is real, and it's solvable through efficiency, long-duration storage, and transmission upgrades. Those investments get cheaper. Gas infrastructure gets more expensive and more stranded. Withdraw the MDNS. Require a full EIS. Deny the permit.
Scott McClay	seattle, WA	
Emily Johnston	Seattle, WA	It's outrageous that TransAlta isn't simply being shut down. We cannot abandon CETA, and we don't need to--we simply need to insist that utilities first go for the low-hanging fruit of demand management and distributed energy resources. A new gas plant in 2026 is an absurd idea.
Brent E McFarlane	Seattle, WA	This proposal is a reversal of progress we,Âve made. We don,Ât have time to waste on this project. A full EIS is needed.
David Perk	Seattle, WA	How is the addition of a new gas peaker plant consistent with meeting state climate goals??
Clare McCarthy	Seattle, WA	
Linnea Scott	Seattle, WA	
Julie Martinson	Everett, WA	Stop locking us into more fossil fuel use. Ecology: deny this permit.
Don j Miller	Arlington, WA	The planet, including WA state, is burning. No more fossil fuels, i.e. don,Ât switch

		Centralia coal plant to gas. We need solar, wind & battery storage. Read Bill McKibben, "Here Comes the Sun," China & Africa can do it so can we..
Phil Ritter	Sammamish, WA	
Betsy Case	Everett, WA	NO to coal to gas conversion. Washington State does NOT need or want new fossil fuel infrastructure.
Patrick McKee	Seattle, WA	This has been the hottest summer in U.S. history. It will probably be the coolest summer of the rest of our lives. TransAlta wants to build this new methane facility to sell power (and externalize climate killing carbon pollution costs) for AI data centers, which no one in the state supports. Department of Ecology, do the right thing here.
Ryan Driscoll	Seattle, WA	
Coleen Anderson	Yakima, WA	Please think about our children, grandchildren and future generations - do it for them!
Susan Kane	East Wenatchee, WA	Methane gas IS a fossil fuel! We are working so hard to get away from fossil fuels, why would it be OK to replace one fossil fuel with another one? This undermines our Clean Energy progress! Please do not allow this!
Nancy Johnson	Edmonds, WA	We don't have time to dink around installing new fossil fuel plants - we need to go full speed ahead on solar, wind, geothermal, VPPs and grid improvement. Spokane burning was a tipping point. NO MORE FOSSIL FUELS!
Andrew Kidde	Seattle, WA	Fossil fuel emissions cause climate change which drives the increasingly hot and chaotic climate we have. Say "no" to new fossil fuel infrastructure.
Laura Gibbons	Seattle, WA	It's time to come to our senses and phase out fossil fuels. Building new fossil fuel infrastructure makes absolutely no sense, either for the climate or for the rate payers.

Ed Chadd	Port Angeles, WA	If we don't get out ahead of the data center issue, we will all end up getting swallowed up by it.
Brandon Bowersox-Johnson	Bremerton, WA	I want my son to inherit a livable planet, and we need clean firm power not a natural gas conversion that allows so much utilization (way beyond peaker plant usage). Slow down and do a full EIS and align our power generation with CETA and our state climate goals instead of fast-tracking this harmful project.
Bob Kutter	Seattle, WA	Don,Â lock us into a methane future!
Ross Hunt	Bellevue, WA	
Marjorie Fields	Edmonds, WA	Why bother to make a change if it is just from one bad idea to another? Change needs to reflect research about what will protect our environment, not ignore the research. You owe it to citizens to make decisions that will protect them and make their lives better. This ridiculous plan to replace coal with gas definitely goes in the wrong direction.
Elana Sulakshana	Seattle, WA	
Patrick McFarland	Seattle, WA	
Dr. Sarah Haynes	Colville, WA	
Melissa Croce	Kent, WA	
Lin Higley	Mead, WA	
Robyn Croley	Olympia, WA	
Kat Thomas	Seattle, WA	
charlene finn	Seattle, WA	We can not continue to pollute through oil and gas as our state is burning. No. There are alternatives to this.
diane marks	port angeles, WA	
Brad Neu	Vancouver, WA	
JS Anderson	Tacoma, WA	This is a joke,right? WA is going to hold the line, right? You can't possibly think that this isn't going to make the climate catastrophe worse, can you? You are so stupid, greedy and delusional. Your grandchildren will despise you no matter how much blood money you leave them if you go through with this stupid plan.
Vera Haug	Tacoma, WA	

Mark Johnston	LeavenworthLeavenworth, WA	
Nicholas Jurus	Vashon, WA	While it's good to finally drop coal, there are yet better answers we could be answering both the ongoing climate collapse, and the energy needs of our state. Let's try and deserve our title as the Evergreen State, hm?
Steve Shapiro	Seattle, WA	
Joe Masucci	Seattle, WA	
MaryAnn Albenesius	Lacey, WA	The only energy we need to be developon is green energy. No more pollution. PERIOD
Mar√#a Estrada	East Wenatchee, WA	
Letha White	Olympis, WA	
Carrie Eaton	Seattle, WA	
William Mcgunagle	Spokane, WA	
Susan Ervin	Prairie Ridge, WA	
Felicity Devlin	Tacoma, WA	We cannot create further reliance on fossil fuels. The impacts of climate change are arriving in our state in the form of more extreme weather, wildfires, droughts. We cannot afford to exacerbate this situation.
Helen Gilchrist	Olympia , WA	
Bobby Righi	Seattle, WA	
Maureen Knutson	La Center, WA	
Pamela Howes	Spokane, WA	
Steve Bush	Bellingham , WA	
Ulyana Paur-Olivier	Seattle, WA	
Summer Stevens	Colton, WA	
Roxie Nelson	Seven Bays, WA	
Paula Bennett	Seattle, WA	
Akiksha Chatterji	Seattle, WA	
Fred Ervin	Bonney Lake , WA	
Klaudia Englund	Anacortes , WA	
Roger Clark	Bellingham, WA	
Roger Carr	Electric City, WA	
Celeste Jean	Lake Stevens, WA	Fossil fuel is a bandaid. Stop selling it as a fix!
Anne Seethoff	Oak Harbor, WA	
Pawiter Parhar	Sammamish, WA	To Washinton State Department of Ecology and we need to stop building new fossil fuel infrastructure at this time because Washinton State Department of Ecology should mandatory doing this project and we

		want to stop for fossil fuel use and should be before Sept. end of this Year.
Melanie Kenoyer	Vancouver, WA, WA	
Sarah Polda	Normandy Park, WA	
Nancy Hayden	Spokane, WA	This does not sound like a good idea because of pollution.
Pat Layden	Des Moines, WA	
Patsy Reynolds	Yakima, WA	Why did we build a coal fired plant in the first place? Please let us use more wind and solar.
Andrea Chin	Redmond, WA	
Alan Rosen Rosen	Lummi Island, WA	
Julene Weaver	Seattle, WA	
Ben Rall	Spokane, WA	
Shelley Simcox	Bremerton, WA	
Cheryl Speer	Camas, WA	
Alicia Castagno	Edmonds, WA	
Jessi Berkelhammer	Seattle, WA	
Beverly Vonfeld	Yakima, WA	
Jared Howe	Seattle, WA	
Elizabeth Lengel	Anacortes, WA	
Homa Nassiri	Ridgefield, WA	
Debbie Thorn	Fall City, WA	
Beverly Vonfeld	Yakima, WA	
Kate Butt	Redmond, WA	
Robert Murdock	Olympia, WA	
Stuart Phillips	Port Townsend, WA	
Matthew Haggar	Port Townsend, WA	We should be focusing on transitioning away from fossil fuels and coming up with ways to integrate solar into existing structures, (for example covering parking lots with solar panels to both shade cars and produce energy,) not increasing the amount of gas plants.
Lyda Barr	Seattle, WA	
Lorna McGowan-Smith	Bellingham, WA	
Alyssa Halverson	Everett, WA	
Don Dicken	Ellensburg, WA	stop investing in dirty energy!
Susan Finley	Marysville, WA	
Tiera Simpton	Seattle, WA	
Jeannie Keyes	Renton, WA	
Mark Reback	Battle Ground , WA	

Rebekah Waite	Kirkland, WA	As a lifelong Washington State resident, I absolutely oppose the building of this plant. This is not what our state or our planet needs.
Gary Albright	Snohomish, WA	
Susan Thiel	Spanaway, WA	
Bruce Mathews	OCEAN SHORES, WA	SAVE OUR STATE FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS!!!
Susan Shouse	Everett, WA	
Nancy Enz Lill	Spokane, WA	
Sylvia Platt	Port Townsend , WA	
Claire Richards	Bainbridge Island, WA	Claire Richards
Derek Hendrickson	Everett, WA	
Lenae Nofziger	Kirkland, WA	Fast-tracking this project doesn't take into account the current climate crisis and the need for savvy decision-making, not business as usual. Washingtonians deserve a more thorough evaluation of this project.
Anna McNaught	Tacoma, WA	
Kate Jelfs	Seattle , WA	
Ian Allan Anderson	Seattle, WA	
Norman Baker	Sequim, WA	
Michelle Jacobsen	Seattle, WA	
Marla McCune	Vancouver, WA	
Cathy Stegman/Seattle	Seattle, WA	
Amelia Vesper	Bellevue, WA	
Dawn Nguyen	Sammamish, WA	
Sally Radford	Tacoma , WA	
Eleanor Israel	Rainier, WA	
patricia smith	Aberdeen, WA	We desperately need to focus on renewable energy-not lock into the old, polluting forms!!
Deborah Gandolfo	Kirkland , WA	
Wayne Ellis	Bellingham, WA	
Kathleen Skeels	Seattle , WA	
Sharon Kaylen	Bainbridge Island, WA	
Brad Davis	Vashon Island, WA	
Amanda Terranella	Everett, WA	
Roman Stadtler	BELLINGHAM, WA	
Alexis Berry	Seattle, WA	
Cheryl Olson	Spokane Valley , WA	

Richard Cornwall	Seattle, WA	
Michelle Rosburg	Port Orchard, WA	
Heather Emanuel	Seattle, WA	
Ginny Hauser	Pullman, WA	I oppose any actions that will continue to lock us into decades of fossil fuel use that will add to global warming and harm the health of our planet and our people. It is WAY past time to focus on renewable energy sources as have most other countries. Stop the madness.
Jay Mohr	Seattle, WA	
Nancy Trees	Seattle, WA	
Amy Mower	Maple Falls , WA	
Nancy Purcell	Veradale , WA	
Summer Stevens	Colton, WA	
S.F. Brown	Sequim, WA	
ROSA HALEY	Bellingham, WA	Subject: Public Comment Opposing TransAlta Centralia Gas Conversion MDNS (SEPA Review) To the Washington Department of Ecology, I am writing to express my strong opposition to the Mitigated Determination of Nonsignificance (MDNS) & the proposed air permits for TransAlta,Âs project to convert its shuttered Centralia coal plant into a fossil gas-burning facility. Allowing this project to move forward is a direct contradiction of Washington,Âs climate leadership & locks our state into decades of avoidable pollution. * Massive Greenhouse Gas Emissions: The proposed plant would pump over 2 million metric tons of CO,ÇÇ into the atmosphere every year. Approving this project locks in fossil fuel dependence until 2044, completely undermining the trajectory required by the Clean Energy Transformation Act (CETA). * Misleading "Peaker" Designation: TransAlta is marketing this facility as a backup peaker plant, yet the permits request a staggering

		59% capacity factor. True peaker plants operate at 5% to 15% capacity. A 59% capacity factor functions much closer to a baseload fossil plant, creating long-term pollution & climate damage under the guise of grid reliability. * Flawed Environmental Accounting: The SEPA review & MDNS improperly compare future gas pollution against historical coal operations or hypothetical baselines, ignoring the reality that the coal plant has already ceased operations. Permitting a massive new source of toxic air pollutants, including volatile organic compounds (VOCs), nitrogen oxides, & particulate matter, endangers community health & environmental justice. * Ratepayer Financial Risk: At a time when utilities like Puget Sound Energy are already seeking massive rate hikes (such as PSE's proposed 30% increase), ratepayers should not be saddled with the exorbitant costs of an expensive, inefficient, & redundant fossil gas infrastructure project. Instead of fast-tracking a fossil fuel project, the Department of Ecology must reject this MDNS, require a full Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), & prioritize cleaner, cheaper, & safer alternatives like energy efficiency, demand response, & long-duration battery storage. Washington residents deserve a clean energy future, not a rubber-stamped retreat into fossil fuels. Sincerely, Rosa Haley 3795 Canterbury Ln Bellingham, WA ds9wormhole@outlook.com
Dan Weaver	Seattle, WA	

Matt Hohensee	Seattle, WA	
Jessica Matyas	Bellingham, WA	
Madeline Deal	Seattle, WA	
Wade Helmich	Mead, WA	
Nancy Giuliani	Port Townsend, WA	
Corinna Donnerberg	Spokane , WA	
Laura Martin	seattle, WA	why not replace the coal plant with batteries?
Dennis Smith	Deming, WA	
David Berlow	Seattle, WA	
Constance Knudsen	Seattle, WA	
Deonet Wolfe	Camano Island, WA	Clearly there have been bribes handed out to Department of Ecology members by PSE and TransAlta for the Department to be fast tracking or even allowing at all TransAlta,Ãs coal to gas conversion instead of pushing them to convert to solar, hydrogen, or any other clean energy. The people of Washington, of the world, are demanding the transition to clean energy to slow global warming and the yearly increases of wildfires that destroy our homes, yer the Washington Department of Ecology is pulling this? The PSE rate hike request is equally outrageous and fully of deceit. Utility companies have been, like oil companies, making record profits off claims of needing to raise prices due to costs of infrastructure, wages, etc. The real truth is that they want more profit and to force citizens to further subsidize the data centers. Deny TransAlta,Ãs transition and PSE,Ãs rate hike request.
Cornelia Teed	Bellingham, WA	
Claudia Eberly	Bothell, WA	
Theresa Knott	FEDERAL WAY, WA	
Dawn Hitchrns	Tumwater , WA	
R. Indrebo	Tacoma, WA	Let's move ahead not backwards.
Anabel L	Seattle, WA	
Jess Wallach	Seattle, WA	
Gary Gill	Everett, WA	Please stop this destructive proposal!
Sandra Taylor	Vancouver, WA	We need to stop using antiquated methodologies for generating electricity, the long term environmental impact is not worth

		the return. This project does nothing, solves nothing and prevents the needed focus on environmentally sound electricity creation.
Sandra Roushman	Auburn, WA	
Esther Kronenberg	Olympia, WA	We need to make a sharp pivot away from fossil fuels to adapt to the changes already upon us. Please think of the near future and do not approve more polluting power plants. There are better ways!
Lloyd Johnston	Seattle, WA	
David Perk	Seattle, WA	
Jimmie Harvey	Auburn, WA	
Liz Combs	Puyallup, WA	
Gail Atkins	Raymond, WA	
pat richmond	College place , WA	
Beck Royer	Seattle, WA	
Suzanne O'Keefe	Vancouver, WA	
Peggy Cannon	Vancouver, WA	
Aaron Schlossman	Seattle, WA	Please take the cotton out from between your ears and start developing future-compatible solutions to our state's energy needs. Emissions of this volume will condemn us.
Andrea York	Mountlake Terrace , WA	Switch to EASILY ACCESSIBLE and CLIMATE-FRIENDLY WIND POWER!
Rowen Kade	Bellingham, WA	
Tyler Otto	Maple Valley, WA	
Laurel Boucher	Lynnwood , WA	
Pamela Barber	Kent, WA	
Kerry McCool	Sequim, WA	
Ferenc Farkas	Seattle, WA	
Adelle Hamel	Anacortes, WA	
Aimee Sandridge	Seattle, WA	
JoAnn Polley	Poulsbo, WA	Save our Earth! Stop fossil fuels!
Aislin Modroo	Bothell, WA	
Jared Widman	Gig Harbor, WA	
Vivien Sharples	Seattle, WA	
Marianna Haniger	Lopez Island, WA	
Gregory Denton	Clinton, WA	
Tanara Saarinen	Gig Harbor, WA	We need alternative fuels, not gas.
bette jingling	Seattle, WA	

Joe Ross	Olympia, WA	We should be seeking greener alternatives rather than the conversion that will still significantly impact air quality, possibly cause a significant rate in electricity costs and be operating at a level that is well above the capacity that it was intended to run. State regulators should not be rubber stamping new fossil fuel plants!
James Mulcare	Clarkston, WA	
Judy Palmer	Wenatchee , WA	We do not need this.
John Hennessy	Edmonds, WA	
Chloe Key	Tukwila , WA	
Ralph Palmer	Seattle, WA	
Anne Dwyer	Seattle, WA	This is a horrible idea. This project would emit over 2 million metric tons of CO ₂ every year and lock in our dependence on fossil fuels until 2044, at a time when reduction of fossil fuel use to net zero is critical for both humans and wider ecosystems. Please mandate a full EIS for the project, and stop the fast-tracking of the TransAlta coal to gas conversion.
Alec and Sandy McDougall	Mount Vernon, WA	
Susan Beranek	Snohomish, WA	
Carol Ann Pinto	Snohomish, WA	This move is either totally Irresponsible and ignorant. Or it is a money grab by fossil fuel manufacturers.
Tracy Ouellette	Bow, WA	
Hannah Taylor	Vancouver, WA	
Annabel Allen	Seattle, WA	
James Loppnow,	Bonney Lake, WA	
Larri O'Brien	Graham, WA	
Russell La Claire	Federal Way, WA	Time to redraw this plan. We have long term storage. Why are we not looking at that?
Vanessa Holloman	Spokane, WA	
Karen Loeser	Mercer Island, WA	
David Mayer	Olympia, WA	I vehemently oppose this conversion. We should be investing in moving AWAY from fossil fuels, not using more. How short sighted can we be? This is the wrong move at the wrong time, especially in a state with so much wind and solar power potential.

Katherin Balles	BREMERTON, WA	
Alyce Fritch	SEATTLE, WA	
Wesley Andrews	Kirkland, WA	
Evelyn Lemoine	Seattle, WA	
Susan Zanner	Sammamish, WA	
Donna Glaser	Bonney Lake, WA	
Jonny Hahn	Seattle, WA	
James Richardson	seattle , WA	
Devin River	Olympia, WA	
Susan Deaton	Everett, WA	
JILL MC ANALLY	Port Townsend, WA	Stop poisoning us!!
Tika Bordelon	Seattle, WA	
Kay Morgan	Carlton, WA	
Rob Reidburn	Raymond , WA	
Noah Ehler	Carnation, WA	
Barbara Scavezze	Woodinville, WA	
Jamie Peltier	Everett, WA	
David Newman	Shoreline, WA	Why is this NOT a coal to solar, wind or both conversion. The idea that gas is a needed "wedge" technology while clean energy "matures" was suspect when the research was published in 2004. Clean energy has been cheaper than combustion and other sources of greenhouse gas emitting energy for at least ten years, and alternatives should not even be considered. State and Federal government should fix the permitting obstacles preventing the rapid replacement of all combustion energy sources with solar, wind, and where feasible, geothermal energy. All combustion sources, including gas, will worsen the climate crisis already underway, with costly and catastrophic consequences. It is too late to continue compromising with special interests, especially fossil fuel, CAFOs and other industrial agriculture and now huge data centers to support AI.
Charlene Lauzon	Lynnwood, WA	
Sara Bliss	Seattle, WA	
Rebecca Glass	Seattle, WA	
Kirsten Shupien	Longview, WA	
MECAH MEYERS	Ridgefield, WA	
Faye Bartlett	Bellingham, WA	

Laura Azar	Spokane Valley, WA	DTOP FUCKING WITH OUR ECO SYSTEM NOW!!!
Dona Wuthnow	Friday Harbor, WA	This proposal to convert to another fossil fuel is taking us down the wrong road. DOE should not be fast tracking any fossil fuel energy projects, just because the Federal administration has created an environment to do so. They must do an EIS and consider the damages to Earth risking survivability of future generations, wildlife species and ocean ecosystems collapse. If we do not change, we risk societal and natural world collapse within 2-3 generations. This happens one project decision at a time, piled into a cumulative effect that is catastrophic. Does DOE want to contribute to that scenario? This is not what the majority of WA residents want and is unconscionable. We can do better in WA! Stop this project.
Jennifer Henderson	Seattle, WA	We are witnessing the severe, compounding realities of climate change right now. Washington is under a statewide wildfire emergency with massive uncontained blazes scorching hundreds of thousands of acres and displacing tens of thousands of residents. Our forests are tinderboxes due to unprecedented drought and critically dry fuels. Permitting a facility that emits over 2 million metric tons of CO₂ annually, and approximately 42.8 million metric tons over its lifetime, directly accelerates the extreme weather, droughts, and atmospheric rivers that destabilize our communities and collapse our electrical grid. There are cleaner, cheaper alternatives like energy efficiency and long-duration storage that are being ignored. It's crucial that we move away from fossil fuels and switch to renewable fuels for the sake of our children and this planet.
Jennifer Henderson	Seattle, WA	
Brookie Judge	Seattle, WA	

Jon Howe	Friday Harbor, WA	
Fredrick Paul Bianchini	Sedro Woolley, WA	
Abigail Maxey	Seattle, WA	
Ronald Faas	Olympia, WA	
Graham Golbuff	Seattle, WA	
Kathleen Bonney	Sammamish, WA	Very important for our environment and climate change.
Enid Cox	Vancouver, WA	Check out cheaper alternatives.
Susan Harmon	Bellingham, WA	
Kathleen Allen	Seattle, WA	
Hugh Harkins	Bellingham, WA	We need more renewable energy, not more fossil fuel projects! This is 2026 FFS!
P R	sequim, WA	This project would emit over 2 million metric tons of CO ₂ every year and lock in our dependence on fossil fuels until 2044. Meanwhile, Puget Sound Energy is seeking a 30% rate hike from the UTC!
Oleh Varanytsya	Bothell, WA	
Myla Butz	Auburn, WA	
Julie Hauf	Edmonds, WA	
Gary Di Donato	Olympia, WA	
Rebecca Deutsch	Seattle, WA	
Jean Shaffer	Olympia, WA	
Joe Piecuch	Poulsbo, WA	
Barbara Bonaparte	Kirkland, WA	
Dass Adams	Seattle, WA	Reduce „Natural“ gas us by retiring this coal plant.
r weiss	Shoreline, WA	
Sue Moon	Seattle, WA	
Andrea York	Mountlake Terrace , WA	I believe I already signed this, if you need to know that. I'll always be pro-environment.
Stephen and Kathleen Hulick	Brush Prairie, WA	
Emma Paulini	Seattle, WA	
Rosemary Moore	Mercer Island, WA	
Paula Shafransky	Sedro Woolley, WA	
John Roberts	Tacoma, WA	
Bianca Raffety	Seattle, WA	
M Lyons	Bellingham, WA	
Lori Stefano	Yelm, WA	
Nancy Takacs	Tukwila, WA	We do NOT need more fossil fuel infrastructure. We need more clean energy sources like wind energy.

Jane Kelsberg	Greenbank, WA	
Aden Erskine	Renton, WA	
Robin Miller	olympia, WA	
Reed Adam	Seattle, WA	
Ken Adams	Lynnwood, WA	
Ruby Thompson	Seattle, WA	
Scott Washburn	Seattle, WA	Do the right thing!
G Morton	Redmond, WA	We don't need more oil when it's clearly caused some of the worst weather this state has seen. At this point, big oil companies actions should be seen as crimes and eco-terrorism.
Leslie McClure	Lacey, WA	We must switch to demanding green sustainable fuels in WA. It will save money and the climate. Please stop this short-sighted thinking before it's too late!
Luanne Pasik	Anacortes , WA	
Cindi Lund	Lopez Island , WA	
S Slayton	Kent, WA	Have we learned nothing? Wake up and face reality. The Himalayas are MELTING! The time to act is now. Thank you
Virginia Hadley	Cosmopolis, WA	
Phil Harty	Tacoma, WA	
LuAnne Swainson	Otis Orchards, WA	
Mark Leed	Vancouver, WA	I strongly oppose the plan to convert this plant to natural gas. Trans-Alta should be closed and shuttered as soon as possible.
Kate Lunceford	Bothell, WA	Do not drag us into a future of fossil fuel use. We are running out of time.
Mikey Redding	Seattle, WA	
Amanda Righi	Seattle, WA	
Marjorie Fields	Edmonds, WA	
Suzanne Nevins	Brinnon, WA	
Olympic Climate Action	Port Angeles, WA	
Holger Mathews	Seattle , WA	
Erin Grise	Seattle , WA	
Allison Lizotte	Seattle, WA	
Andrea Hernandez	Seattle, WA	
Tanja Jones	Seattle, WA	
John Patterson	Camano Island, WA	
Deborah Kaye	Blaine, WA	

Nick Engelfried	Bellingham, WA	New gas infrastructure has no place in Washington in the 2020s. We should invest in renewables, not fossil fuels.
Deborah Parker	Bellingham, WA	
Rachel sage	Seattle, WA	Invest in renewables
Teresa Grasseschi	Tacoma, WA	
Cynthia Jones	Edmonds, WA	No more fossil fuels! A switch to natural gas is not a good solution, especially when there are many clean energy options available.
Lucy Flanagan	Seattle, WA	
Judith Akins	Bellingham, WA	This project would emit over 2 million metric tons of CO ₂ every year and lock in our dependence on fossil fuels until 2044. Meanwhile, Puget Sound Energy is seeking a 30% rate hike from the UTC! You are ignoring investments in battery storage, solar, wind, energy saving measures. Please leave the 20th century fuels behind and go forward into a healthy energy future.
Miriam Miller-Friday	Kenmore, WA	
Emily Wilson	Seattle, WA	
Susan Kane-Ronning	Bellingham, WA	We need to be focusing on alternative energy, not creating more fossil fuel infrastructure. The planet just reached 1.5 degrees, a tipping point. What are you doing, even considering this? Other countries are way ahead of the United States.
Jerry Kessinger	Lynnwood, WA	
Joan Reberger	Camano Island, WA	It should not surprise you that going backwards and supporting fossil fuels energy sources just ins't gonna fly anymore. NO GOING BACKWARDS. Again, don't be surprised that people actually want a livable planet.
David Jones	Edmonds, WA	
Melissa Cyders	Edmonds, WA	
Ival Salyer	Snohomish, WA	We should be pressing for energy efficiency and renewable energy, not a huge conversion from coal to gas. Envision a new future of improving life for future generations by lowering our carbon footprint requirement for energy production
Emma LeVanr	Tacoma, WA	

Derek Benedict	Lynnwood, WA	
Gayle Austin	Langley, WA	I'm not sure if this would be going from bad to worse, or from worse to bad...Either way clean energy sounds better, don't you think?
Lisa Messinger	Port Townsend, WA	
Hunter Reed	Everett, WA	
Paul Ferrari	Edmonds, WA	
Gregory Denton	Clinton, WA	
Kate Lunceford	Bothell, WA	
Mary Paterson	Seattle, WA	I do not understand how the Washington State Department of Ecology can be in the process of allowing this plant conversion from coal to natural gas to take place. If LNG is "cleaner" than coal, it is only on a very superficial level. If one looks at the whole life cycle of LNG, from extraction to transmission to burning, one will see the unacceptable truth that with all the leaks that are a fact of the process, too much natural gas -- methane, which is 86 times worse as a greenhouse gas than CO2 measured over a 20 year period -- is being emitted. Surely we can do better than this. No conversion to LNG, please!
Ed Bowlby	Sequim, WA	Please don't allow infrastructure development of oil and gas facilities, when we need to prioritize alternative energy needs.
Rosemary Moore	Mercer Island, WA	Gas is NOT clean. We must transform the highly polluting coal plant to a non greenhouse gas emitting function. We MUST develop clean renewable energy to replace the coal plant to reduce the destructive effects of climate change. Building new gas plants is stupid, selfish and short-term. Think of the future.
Ryan Driscoll	Seattle, WA	
Jason Walsh	Seattle, WA	
Lin Hagedorn	Bellevue, WA	
Anabel L	Seattle, WA	
Jay Mohr	Seattle, WA	
Peggy Cannon	Vancouver, WA	
Tracy Ouellette	Bow, WA	

Becci Boyd	Tacoma, WA	
Sarah Polda	Normandy Park, WA	
Jerry Kessinger	Lynnwood, WA	
Gail Atkins	Raymond, WA	
Alex Aversa	Puyallup, WA	
Em H	Tacoma, WA	Please do not contribute to the mass ecological damage already being inflicted upon our environment
Anitq Penuelas	Seattle, WA	This plan is going backwards at a time when we should be running into a climate responsible future. Please responsibly and block it. Our future depends on it.
Stevi Hamill	Tacoma, WA	
Clayton Hamill	Tacoma, WA	
Matthew Boguske	Lowville, NY	
Andrea York	Mountlake Terrace , WA	
Fredrick Paul Bianchini	Sedro Woolley, WA	
Sue Lepore	Tacoma, WA	
Julie Martinson	Everett, WA	We need more CLEAN energy, so mandate a full EIS for this project, which should make the clear case to shut down any new fossil fuel infrastructure which will impact the climate crisis even more.
Jason Li	Seattle, WA	
Emma Rucker	Tacoma, WA	
lauren tozzi	Seattle, WA	PLEASE OPPOSE TRANSALTA'S COAL TO GAS CONVERSION PERMIT!! The earth and it's living things cannot withstand the toxins and pollution anymore. GO GREEN!!
Hoa Pantastico	Seattle, WA	
Kathryn Owen	Poulsbo, WA	
Lindsey Schoeneman	Tacoma, WA	
Kathleen Bonney	Sammamish, WA	
Larri O'Brien	Graham, WA	
Justin Maltry		
Coleen Anderson	YAKIMA, WA	
Felicity Devlin	Tacoma, WA	
Melissa Brechbiel	Tacoma, WA	
Charlotte Linton	Seattle, WA	
Catharine Cline	Lacey, WA	I am opposed to any expansion of fossil fuel mining, refining, or use. And PSE should not

		be allowed to raise our rates to create a new plant to process fracked oil.
Erica Coutsouridis	Tacoma, WA	
Nancy Giuliani	Port Townsend, WA	
Allison Sykes	Olympia, WA	
David Mayer	Olympia, WA	I want our money to go towards more sustainable sources of power generation. Not more carbon-based sources.
Robert Kaminski	Seattle, WA	
Steven GArY	Seattle, WA	WE need to go green. No more fossil fuels.
Russell Parks	Graham, WA	he TransAlta Coal to Gas Transition project is not the climate progress Washington needs. Building new, multi-decade fossil fuel infrastructure during an active climate crisis is fundamentally irresponsible. Ecology,Âs Mitigated Determination of Nonsignificance (MDNS) fails to address the project,Âs true system-wide impacts and must be rejected in favor of a full Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). We are witnessing the severe, compounding realities of climate change right now. Washington is under a statewide wildfire emergency with massive uncontained blazes scorching hundreds of thousands of acres and displacing tens of thousands of residents. Our forests are tinderboxes due to unprecedented drought and critically dry fuels. Permitting a facility that emits over 2 million metric tons of CO,ÇÇ annually,Âand approximately 42.8 million metric tons over its lifetime,Âdirectly accelerates the extreme weather, droughts, and atmospheric rivers that destabilize our communities and collapse our electrical grid. Ecology,Âs review completely ignores the devastating near-term impact of upstream methane gas leakage. Methane is a super-pollutant that is 84 times more potent than CO,ÇÇ over a 20-year timeline. By failing to use a 20-year Global Warming Potential

		(GWP) analytical framework, the SEPA checklist masks the massive greenhouse gas footprint generated by the hydraulic fracturing, pipeline transport, and processing required to feed this facility. This project also uses a deceptive "peaker plant" classification to bypass Washington's strict high-efficiency emissions rules (RCW 80.80). While framed as emergency backup, the permits allow a 59% capacity factor, locking in continuous, carbon-heavy fossil fuel dependence through 2044. This artificial reliability narrative is a false dilemma. True grid resilience relies on modernizing infrastructure through aggressive energy efficiency, long-duration energy storage, and transmission upgrades, not on deepening our dependence on vulnerable gas supply chains. Furthermore, this plant exists to lock in dirty capacity for Puget Sound Energy (PSE), a company that is already trying to raise rates by 30%, a huge increase to consumers. Ecology must evaluate the full system of generation and end-use demand rather than assessing this plant in an artificial vacuum. Corporate disclosures reveal that TransAlta's primary motive is to provide a physical, carbon-heavy backbone for power-hungry AI data center sprawl, with active plans to expand fossil fuel operations to Unit 1 over the next decade. This project undermines the Clean Energy Transformation Act (CETA) and sets a dangerous precedent. Ecology must withdraw the MDNS, require a full EIS that accounts for current climate hazards, and ultimately deny this permit.
ryan davis	Tacoma, WA	
Vanessa Holloman	Spokane, WA	
Adam Lough	Seattle, WA	

Justin Hentges	Tacoma, WA	
Judy Palmer	Wenatchee , WA	I oppose the TransAlta coal to gas conversion.
Kerry McCool	Sequim, WA	
Clayton Jones	Burien, WA	
Adelle Hamel	Anacortes, WA	
Courtney Davis	Tacoma, WA	
Angela Szuch	Tacoma, WA	It's ridiculously shortsighted to be spending money on non-renewable energy sources. The future is wind and sun!!
P R	sequim, WA	
Christina Manetti	Lakewood, WA	Converting a coal plant to become another fossil-fuel burning plant is irresponsible. We must abandon fossil fuels as quickly as possible, not invest in yet more decades more of disastrous fossil fuel use.
Christina Manetti Garry Oak Coalition	Lakewood, WA	We need to cease the use of fossil fuels as quickly as possible, not become further invested in their continued use.
Andrea Chin	Redmond, WA	
Adam Houston	Seattle, WA	
SUNNY THOMPSON	Ashford, WA	
P R	sequim, WA	This is going backwards and the only winners are corporate power companies. We do not want gas powered, coal powered and have fought and passed the legislation. CORPORATE AMERICA GET THE HECK OUT OF OUR BUSINESS. MY BILL, FOR ONE RESPONSIBLE PERSON IS OUTRAGEOUS. It normally decreases in Summer but it has gone up and is exorbitant for my useage YEAR ROUND NOW. CORPORATE GREED HAS TAKEN OVER UNDER YOUR WATCH WSDOFE AND YOU ALONE ARE RESPONSIBLE. THIS IS SPONSORED BY OIL AND GAS! GO TO HEL* AND REMEMBER WHO YOU WORK FOR, GREEDY SCUM SCUKERS! I CAN' AFFORD MY BILL AS IT IS!
Megan Slade	Seattle, WA	
Jamie Hill	Tacoma, WA	
Heather Price	Seattle, WA	
Barbara Bonfield	Tacoma, WA	
Laura Zerr	Auburn, WA	

David Berlow	Seattle, WA	
Tyler Otto	Maple Valley, WA	
Paul Devries	Tacoma, WA	We need alternative energy sources, not this!
Carol Kindt	Tacoma, WA	
Paul Ferrari	Edmonds, WA	
Zachary Foster	Tacoma, WA	
Katherin Balles	BREMERTON, WA	We should not be building new fossil fuel infrastructure in 2026.
Sally Keely	Kalama, WA	No new fossil gas! Washington state is committed to clean renewable energy. The People have spoken with our Climate Commitment Act. DENY all permits to TransAlta's conversion to fracked fossil gas.
Julie Moylan	Tacoma, WA	NO!!! You know better than to allow this.
John Hennessy	Edmonds, WA	
Robin Evans-Agnew	Tacoma, WA	No to coal. Keep it in the ground.
Christie Dennis	Port Angeles, WA	
Michelle Williams	Mercer Island, WA	
Judith S Anderson	Long Beach, CA	
allan hendrix	Seattle, WA	
Rae Diamond	Olympia, WA	
James Mulcare	Clarkston, WA	
David Lambert	Seattle, WA	
Elly Claus-McGahan	Tacoma, WA	Global warming, CETA's requirements by 2045, are two reasons not to invest in fossil fuels. Focus on transmission from renewable energy generation plants to where it's needed.
Khrizia Velacruz	Portland, OR	
Angela McCullagh	Seattle, WA	We do not need more fossil fuel infrastructure in Washington. It's dirty and gross. A full environmental impact statement must be completed for this project. Focus on wind and solar, not gas.
JILL MC ANALLY	Port Townsend, WA	
Debra Olsen	Tacoma, WA	
Emily Gibbons	Tacoma , WA	
Donna Snow	Olympia, WA	
patricia smith	Aberdeen, WA	
Aimee Hamilton	Tacoma, WA	
Donna Glaser	Bonney Lake, WA	
Anne Miller	Seattle, WA	

Andrea Volpato	Bonney Lake, WA	Please use clean energy, don't go backwards. The world is in a critical situation
Jonathan Witte	Everett, WA	
Nicole Iorio	Seattle, WA	
Madelaine Katz	Gig Harbor, WA	We should not be enabling new fossil fuel infrastructure in 2026. Not as climate change-induced tragedies claim more and more lives everyday.
Chris Covert-Bowlds	Seattle, WA	
Deborah Kaye	Blaine, WA	
Charlene Lauzon	Lynnwood, WA	
Gerald Iyall	Olympia, WA	Please, NO FRACKING!
Paula Shafransky	Sedro Woolley, WA	
Suzanne O'Keefe	Vancouver, WA	
Pamela Barber	Kent, WA	
Steve Leigh	Seattle, WA	
Gregory Denton	Clinton, WA	
NONONO PISSED OFF	Sequim, WA	We've rallied against this and will not tolerate this action harming all of us
P R	sequim, WA	We've rallied against this and will not tolerate this action harming all of us
Derek Hoshiko	Clinton, WA	
Lisa Messinger	Port Townsend, WA	I want Washington State to divest from fossil fuel use, whether coal or gas. We must not continue the destruction humans are bringing to this Earth, our home.
Tanara Saarinen	Gig Harbor, WA	
Rebecca Glass	Seattle, WA	
Julie Andrzejewski		With the climate spiraling further and further out of normal, with droughts, wildfires, floods, mudslides, and glaciers melting, Indivisible Tacoma believes no government body that is tasked with representing the public good should even consider supporting any new fossil fuel infrastructure! As protectors of the citizens of WA State, the WA State Dept of Ecology should mandate a full EIS before even putting the TransAlta coal to gas conversion up for consideration! We must close down coal and all fossil fuels and build renewable energy immediately, not new gas infrastructure! Sincerely, Dr. Julie Andrzejewski, Co-Chair of Indivisible Tacoma

Kim Atchley	Renton, WA	
Vanessa Jamison	Marysville , WA	
Shala Obenchain	Tacoma, WA	
Gabriel Kennedy-Gibbens	Spokane, WA	WA state needs to transition to truly clean electricity. It is insane to permit a new fossil fuel gas plant, that would be a source of emissions for many years to come. It goes directly against Washington school to reduce emissions. Also, the pollution from burning „Äúnatural,Äù gas has been show to have negative health impacts on local communities.
Lin Hagedorn	Bellevue, WA	Please, please, please do not approve the TransAlta coal to gas conversion.
Lela Corson	Seattle, WA	As a young person who just graduated from college, I am thinking about my future and nothing looms larger than the climate crisis. I am scared for my future and building new fossil fuel infrastructure is not the answer right now
Elisabeth Sohlberg	Seattle, WA	
Jim Byrne	Ridgefield, WA	
diane marks	port angeles, WA	
Pat Hughes	Spokane, WA	Burning fossil fuel makes it hard for me and my loved ones to breathe. If you did an EIS I,Äôtm sure it would show you why we don,Äôt want more gas burned to make energy. We have such good alternatives here to make clean energy
Louis Jovanovich	Lakewood, WA	Further fossil fuel expansion is not in the best interest of Washington state's environment, and it is not in the best interest of our state economically. New technologies like sodium ion grid scale batteries are allowing renewable rollout to be more permanent and more base load than it ever has been before. The department of ecology should not allow any new coal plants to be built in Washington, because to be frank, we have cheaper and more reliable sustainable alternatives
Alec and Sandy McDougall	Mount Vernon, WA	

Pam Vergun	Beaverton, OR	
BETH BRUNTON		
Derek Dexheimer	Seattle, WA	
Mary Lovell	Indianola, WA	
Ellen Finkelstein	Seattle, WA	
Abby Saks	Spokane, WA	My apartment was 95 degrees for most of this past summer. ENOUGH WITH DIRTY ENERGY!
Jen Bowen	Tacoma, WA	
CAROLE CROPLEY	Olympia, WA	
Fawna Slavik	Spokane, WA	I oppose this. We cannot continue to use fossil fuels and leave a livable planet for our children and grandchildren.
Lorna Walker	Vashon, WA	
Diane Shisk	Shoreline, WA	
Gabby Connors	Seattle, WA	
Judith Knight	Tacoma, WA	No Coal No Gas No Fracking
Susan Zanner	Sammamish, WA	
Marissa Mahler	Seattle, WA	
Amy Faith	Bellevue, WA	
Mark Vossler	Kirkland, WA	I am very opposed to adding new gas infrastructure at the TransAlta site. We need to NOT expand fossil fuel infrastructure if we are to meet our climate goals. Since renewable energy and battery storage is readily available there is no reason to continue to pollute our air and foul our planet for future generations.
Morgan Geddry	Vancouver, WA	,“When the last tree is cut, the last fish is caught, and the last river is polluted; when to breathe the air is sickening, you will realize, too late, that wealth is not in bank accounts and that you can,” eat money.”
Lori Stefano	Yelm, WA	
Laura Morrison	Tacoma, WA	
Tika Bordelon	Seattle, WA	
Hannah Taylor	Vancouver, WA	
Lisa Wright	Everett, WA	
Annemarie Dooley	Seattle, WA	As a doctor I have to warn my patients almost daily about preparing for the effects of extreme heat. All because of our deteriorating climate. Allowing Transalta to convert coal to gas in Centralia would be

		criminal. Our current and future health demands we stop burning fossil fuels. The Dept of Ecology needs to have the courage to stop this nonsense.
Elliot Weidemann	Spokane, WA	Here in Spokane, we are already seeing devastating effects of climate change with our river running dry for two miles over almost the entirety of the month of August, not to mention the catastrophic wildfires exacerbated by climate change that decimated whole neighborhoods. Climate change is an existential threat to the environment, the economy, and human lives. Allowing more fossil fuels to emit greenhouse gases that will further speed climate change is the ABSOLUTE LAST thing our state should allow. DO NOT allow a natural gas plant to begin operation, or you will be contributing to more and more climate disasters that cause loss of wildlife, property, and human lives.
Marin Plut	Coupeville, WA	We cannot meet Washington climate goals if we spend money on more fossil fuel infrastructure, locking in their use for even longer.
Lee Swedin	seattle, WA	
Devin River	Olympia, WA	
Brad Lichtenstein	Seattle, WA	
David Meredith	Tacoma, WA	
Wendy Krakauer	Seattle , WA	
James Richardson	seattle , WA	
Dr. Sarah Haynes	Colville, WA	
Marjorie Fields	Edmonds, WA	
Martha Hyde	Seattle, WA	We need alternative energy for WA state going forward, not coal to natural gas! I strongly oppose this plan for the TransAlta permit.
	Tacoma, WA	With the recent UN report and climate disasters at home and abroad happening almost daily, it feels highly irresponsible to put any time or money building new fossil fuel infrastructure.

MLou Christ	Seattle, WA	
MaryAnn Albenesius	Lacey, WA	Our environment is precious, climate change is real. We need CLEAN energy not more pollution
Ari England	Seattle, WA	Nobody likes fracking
Gordon Glick	Bremerton, WA	
Alex	Seattle, WA	I don't know why this myth keeps getting repeated - that the so called "natural" gas is a "cleaner" source of electricity than coal - just to justify the conversion. The truth of the matter is that this gas is just as bad (and LNG even worse!) for our environment and the entire climate because of the fugitive emissions (leaks) at every stage in the process. Methane, the primary component of natural gas, is a potent greenhouse gas which wreaks climate havoc - both when it leaks and when it is burnt and converted to CO2. This is particularly bad with any kind of toxic LNG (liquified) feedstock extracted by hydrofracturing Earth, which is aptly called "fracking", the harmful process of extracting gas from rock formations by bombarding them with water spiked with toxic, cancerogenic chemicals poisoning us and our ecosystems and contaminating our country's dwindling underground fresh water aquifers. Please see Figure 3 showing the full lifecycle greenhouse gas footprint for natural gas from pipeline, LNG, and coal in the peer-reviewed science paper titled "The greenhouse gas footprint of liquefied natural gas (LNG) exported from the United States" published in journal "Energy Science and Engineering", Volume 12, Issue 11, November 2024, Pages 4843-4859. "Natural" gas is made mostly of methane, which is more than 84x more potent GHG emissions than CO2 -- part of the problem, not a solution. A "transition fuel" it is not - just another big whopper from the Big

		Fossils. In terms of pricing, obscene government subsidies are necessary to keep the status quo in place, when those same moneys could put up many more solar panels that would supply clean electricity for decades into our state electrical grid, instead of locking in decades of harmful, asthma-causing pollution that also ruins our climate. What's more, clean solar or wind energy creates x8 times more jobs and is less capital intensive than fossil fuels, comes into the grid quickly, and with growing battery capacity, it is more resilient because distributed and decentralized. Huge gas plant, on another hand, is a liability, not an asset, for anyone but the short-term speculators and fossil energy oligopolies. And what for? To power another useless AI data center that noone wants as it serves no good. Why are all these polluting companies with the deepest pockets you can ever imagine not required to fund clean, truly renewable energy projects instead of the dirty gas?! Just last month, the new investigation from NPR and Boston University has revealed that at least(!) 9,000 Americans die from heat-related causes each year - more than 5 times what outdated federal statistics show. And this is a conservative estimate. KUOW just reported on WA state numbers. According to the CDC itself, more people die in the U.S. from heat now than ALL other natural hazards COMBINED. Please, have a closer look at the bigger picture and conduct a full Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) of this gas mega project.
Kirk Volkmer	Steilacoom, WA	
Miriam Miller-Friday	Kenmore, WA	
celina isgrigg	Lakewood, WA	
Steven Meyer	Tacoma, WA	
Cedar Moriarty	Seattle, WA	As an undergrad studying environmental science, I understand that this transition will

		lead to irreversible harm. We need a full Environmental Impact Statement!
Joan Reberger	Camano Island, WA	Please stop this backwards destructive move by PSE. Perhaps you could aid them by steering them to invest in clean energy projects.. That's what we need.
Barbara Menne	Tacoma, WA	
Elana Sulakshana	Seattle, WA	
John Hemmings	Spanaway, WA	
Nat Latos	Bellingham , WA	
Marcy Williams	University Place, WA	
Carinna Tarvin	Tacoma, WA	
Nina Ozaki	Tacoma, WA	
Stephen Harp	Federal Way, WA	
David Newman	Shoreline, WA	
celina isgrigg	Lakewood, WA	
Peggy LovellFord	Enumclaw, WA	
Audrey Herrin	Seattle, WA	