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**Statement from Puyallup Tribal Council Chairman Bill Sterud
UTC and TOTE Maritime decisions question LNG plant's future**

“The LNG plant is no longer a viable peak-shaving supplier or necessarily needed,” said Puyallup Tribal Chairman Bill Sterud. “The UTC is requiring PSE to leverage other resources for power in its long-range plan because of the uncertainty of the LNG plant’s completion.

“On top of that, TOTE has pushed back conversion of its two ships to LNG propulsion beyond 2021, more than two years past the original conversion timeline. There is clearly zero urgency to this project which promises more harmful impacts to our homelands, tribal members and community than benefits or jobs to the region. The environmental review is flawed and now we have proof that the business plan for this project is also flawed. It’s time to enforce the law and halt construction of this taxpayer-funded and rate-payer funded boondoggle.”

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