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Amanda Maxwell, Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
P.O. Box 47250
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

RE: Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Caseco Associates, Inc.
Commission Staff's recommendation to impose suspended penalty Docket DG-200425

Dear Ms. Maxwell:

On August 19, 2020, Caseco Associates, Inc., (Caseco or Company) was issued a \$1,000 penalty for a violation of RCW 19.122. Caseco was provided the opportunity to have \$800 of the penalty waived on the following conditions;

- Caseco commits no further violations of RCW 19.122 within the next twelve months.
- The owners of Caseco complete National Utility Contractor Association (NUCA) Dig Safe Training within 12 months of the date of the Penalty Notice.

On September 2, 2020, the Commission received a response from Caseco admitting the violation occurred and accepted the Commission's offer to make a partial payment of \$200 of the penalty amount, and suspend the remaining \$800, based on the stated conditions.

Staff is not aware of any new violations of RCW 19.122, indicating that Caseco may have met the first of the two conditions specified in the Notice. On October 20, 2021, Staff notified Caseco that the Commission has not received verification of NUCA Dig Safe Training completion, and the \$200 partial payment of the Penalty Assessment has never been received.

Staff recommends the Commission impose the full penalty amount of \$1,000, making that amount due and payable immediately.

Sincerely,

Sean C. Mayo, Director
Pipeline Safety