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Adam Torem, Administrative Law Judge  
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission  
1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. SW  
P. O. Box 47250  
Olympia, Washington 98504-7250

Re: *BNSF Railway Company v. City of Mount Vernon*  
Docket No. TR-070696

Dear Judge Torem:

Consistent with your request at the July 13, 2007, prehearing conference, I am providing a statement from the Commission's Director of Regulatory Services regarding Commission Staff's approach for ensuring that the requirements of the state Environmental Policy Act are met in this case.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures  
cc: Parties

