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Jeff Killip, Executive Director and Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
621 Woodland Square Loop SE
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RE: *Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v. Palisade Homes LLC*
Commission Staff's Acknowledgment of Compliance
DG-220896, Case No. 8641

Dear Mr. Killip:

On December 19, 2022, Palisade Homes LLC was issued a \$1,000 penalty for a violation of RCW 19.122.055(1)(a). Palisade Homes LLC was provided the opportunity to suspend an \$800 portion of the penalty amount and ultimately waived on the following conditions:

- Palisade Homes LLC supervisors and field crew responsible for excavation complete Dig Safe training provided through the National Utility Contractors Association (NUCA) within 90 days of the penalty assessment; and
- Submit documentation of attendance of Dig Safe training within 5 days of attendance; and
- Commit no further violations of RCW 19.122 within the 12 months following the penalty assessment.

On February 8, 2023, the Commission received notification from Palisade Homes LLC that the company admitted the violation occurred and accepted the Commission's offer to suspend the penalty amount based on the stated conditions. Additionally, on February 3, 2023, Palisade Homes LLC provided a payment of \$200. The Commission received the required documentation of attendance of training on March 12, 2024. Palisade Homes LLC has had no further violations of RCW 19.122.

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Staff believes that Palisade Homes LLC has fully complied with the Commission's order, and further compliance under this order is no longer necessary. Even though Palisade Homes LLC completed Dig Safe training more than 90 days after the Penalty Assessment, Staff believes Palisade Homes LLC has sufficiently complied with the conditions and recommends the Commission waive the suspended \$800 penalty amount and close this docket.

Sincerely,

Scott Rukke
Pipeline Safety Director