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October 25, 2024

Jeff Killip, Executive Director and Secretary Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission 621 Woodland Square Loop SE Lacey, WA 98503

RE: *Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission v.* Wickman Construction, LLC Commission Staff's Acknowledgment of Compliance DG-230687, Case No. 8726

Dear Mr. Killip:

On September 13, 2023, Wickman Construction, LLC (Wickman Construction) was issued a \$1,000 penalty for a violation of RCW 19.122.055(1)(a). Wickman Construction was provided the opportunity to suspend an \$800 portion of the penalty amount and ultimately waived on the following conditions:

- Wickman Construction employees attend Dig Safe training provided through the National Utility Contractors Association (NUCA) within 90 days of the date of the penalty assessment; and
- Submit documentation of attendance of Dig Safe training; and
- Commit no further violations of RCW 19.122 within the 12 months following the penalty assessment.

On September 20, 2023, Wickman Construction filed a response requesting mitigation of the penalty, which was denied on October 30, 2023. On November 14, 2023, the Commission received notification from Wickman Construction that the company admitted the violation occurred and accepted the Commission's offer to suspend a portion of the penalty amount based on the stated conditions. The Commission received the required documentation of attendance of training on October 5, 2023, and a payment of \$200 was made on November 15, 2023. Wickman Construction has had no further violations of RCW 19.122.

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Staff believes that Wickman Construction has fully complied with the Commission's order, and further compliance under this order is no longer necessary. Staff recommends the Commission waive the suspended \$800 penalty amount and close this docket.

Sincerely,

Scott Rukke Director, Pipeline Safety