

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

**Docket No. UG-110723
Tariff Filing for Pipeline Integrity Program**

UTC STAFF INFORMAL DATA REQUEST NO. 06:

What does the Company intend by suggesting that the proposed tariff is meant to be flexible with respect to the scope of programs to be included in the future?

Response:

The terminology used was intended to make clear that the tariff schedule would not be limited to just the programs included in the initial filing. There are a wide range of existing pipeline safety programs that are currently being managed by the Company. In the current tariff filing, the Company limited the proposal to include only the four pipe replacement programs, bare steel pipe, older wrapped steel mains and services and older plastic pipe. As our integrity management program continues to evolve, additional pipeline safety programs may be identified that could be included in the tariff. As designed, this would only be allowed upon full review and agreement by the stakeholders identified. The design of the revenue requirement calculation is such that if agreed that additional programs should be included, the same calculations would be used to accommodate the added programs.