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Washington State Dig Law Safety Committee

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August 27, 2018

Mark Johnson, Executive Director and Secretary
Members of the Commission
Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 Evergreen Park Drive SW
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

**Re: Review Committee Decision - Case Numbers 18-049 thru
18-053 Puget Sound Energy vs VanHoof Construction, LLC.**

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The Washington State Dig Law Safety Committee received a complaint regarding a potential violation of the Washington State Dig Law RCW 19.122.030(2) for work performed on 5 occasions.

On August 22, 2018 the Washington State Dig Law Safety Committee Review Board heard complaint Cases 18-049 thru 18-053 Puget Sound Energy vs VanHoof Construction, LLC. The Review Committee determined that the respondent did violate RCW 19.122.030(2) in each case. The Committee found that the respondent did violate RCW 19.122.030(2) for failing to secure a valid locate ticket prior to excavation five times.

The Review Committee recommends the following penalty be assessed to the respondent for each violation of RCW 19.122.030(2):

- Case 18-049 \$1000.00
- Case 18-050 \$5000.00
- Case 18-051 \$5000.00
- Case 18-052 \$5000.00
- Case 18-053 \$5000.00

For a total of \$21,000.00 with \$15,000 deferred on the condition that ownership and field leadership attend NUCA dig safe training and have no additional violations of RCW 19.122 within 12 months of receiving a penalty assessment order.

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Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this case. I can be contacted at 206-794-9823.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim Walton".

Jim Walton, Chair

Cc: Lynda Holloway, UTC
Eryka Hunter, PSE

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