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Wrapped Steel Services Assessment Program Second Settlement Agreement

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If you have any questions please give me a call.

Thanks,

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RE: Wrapped Steel Services Assessment Program Annual Status Report (Docket PG-041624)

Dear Mr. Lykken,

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The following is a brief summary of the tables included with this letter.

#### WSSAP Mitigation as of December 31, 2011:

This table shows the number of services mitigated through the WSSAP Program through 2011 by mitigation category as well as the number of services mitigated through other activities such as bare steel main replacement, main relocates due to public improvement activities, service retirement, and additional records review.

As indicated in this table, PSE mitigated all but three of the 77 of the priority services and all but one of the 83 scheduled replacement services from the 2010 model run by December 31, 2011. Currently, only one priority service and one scheduled replacement service are pending mitigation. The priority service is due to customer issues and will be replaced as soon as these issues are resolved. The scheduled replacement service that is pending mitigation is scheduled to be replaced in conjunction with a bare steel main replacement that is scheduled for the summer of 2012.

#### **WSSAP Mitigation Plan for 2012:**

This table shows the number of services PSE is targeting to mitigate through WSSAP in 2012 relative to the 2011 model results.

As indicated in this table, all the priority services and scheduled replacement services remaining as of January 1, 2012 are planned to be mitigated in 2012 through a combination of WSSAP and other activities.



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#### **Leak Status Report for 2011:**

The leak status report for 2011 shows the active leaks as well as the repaired leaks by cause for each mitigation category. It also shows that the number of leaks discovered on services in each of the mitigation categories has declined since the program began in 2007.

PSE met with Staff in December of 2010 to review the future of the WSSAP program. Staff indicated support for PSE's plan to continue running the model annually and replacing services that migrate into the priority and scheduled replacement categories. PSE and Staff also discussed the concept of migrating WSSAP into Distribution Integrity Management Program (DIMP) and agreed to pursue this approach as DIMP is implemented.

Subsequently, PSE has implemented DIMP for its gas distribution system. As part of this program, PSE will continue to run the WSSAP model annually and replace services that migrate into the priority and schedule replacement categories.

PSE appreciates the opportunity to continue working with Staff on the wrapped steel services assessment and mitigation program. Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (425) 462-3207.

Sincerely,

Cheryl McGrath

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## WSSAP Mitigation as of December 31, 2011

Mitigation Category	2010 Model Results	Remaining as of January 1, 2011	Mitigated Through WSSAP	Other Mitigation	Total Mitigation	2011 Target Mitigation Not Completed
Priority	91	77	60	14	74	3
Scheduled Replacement	303	83	14	68	82	1
Increased Leak Survey	22,731	NA.	20	155	175	NA
Standard Mitigation	67,658	NA.	57	133	190	NA.
Subtotal	90,783	160	151	370	521	4

# WSSAP Mitigation Plan for 2012

Mitigation Category	2011 Model Results	Remaining as of January 1, 2012	2012 Target	
Priority	120	64	64	
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Scheduled Replacement	266	21	21	
Increased Leak Survey	22,240	NA	NA	
Standard Mitigation	66,719	NA_	NA.	
Subtotal	89,345	85	85	

### Leak Status Report for 2011 -

Mitigation Category	# Active Leaks	# Repaired Leaks by Cause	# Leaks Discovered in 2011	% of services with leak discovered in 2011	% of services with leak discovered in 2010	% of services with leak discovered in 2009	% of services with leak discovere d in 2008	% of services with leak discovered in 2007
Priority	0	0	0	0	0 -	2.83%	8.3%	0.97%
Scheduled replacement	0	0	0	0	0	0.47%	0.26%	0.53%
Increased Leak Survey	11	2 – Corrosion 1 – Excavation 1 – Equipment 5 – Material or Welds 7 – Other 16 – Total	27	0.12%	0.09%	0.2%	0.13%	0.41%
Standard		2— Corrosion 2 — Excavation 3— Equipment 5— Material or Welds 2 — Natural Force 1 - Operation 3 — Other						
Mitigation	15	18 – Total	33	0.05%	0.07%	0.10%	0.07%	0.19%