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Attn: Alan Rathbun, Pipeline Safety Director

**Subject: Bare Steel Replacement Program Evaluation of Cathodically Protected Bare Steel (Docket No. PG-030080 and No. PG-030128)**

Dear Mr. Rathbun:

Pursuant to the King/Pierce County Settlement Agreement reached under Dockets PG-030128 and PG-030080, and as specified in the Bare Steel Replacement Program document, Puget Sound Energy (PSE) has completed an evaluation of existing cathodically protected bare steel, including the methodology applied for cathodic protection suitability and the cathodic protection system performance.

Per the requirements of the program, Staff and PSE are to meet prior to June 2006 to review the results of this evaluation in order to determine if replacement of some or all of these pipelines is warranted. Please contact me at your convenience to schedule this review meeting. I can be reached at 425-462-3957.

Sincerely,

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Manager, Standards and Compliance

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