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Ref. No. PG-110017

December 7, 2012

Gary W. Kaiser Vice President Georgia Pacific Consumer Products (Camas) LLC 401 NE Adams St Camas, WA 98607

Dear Mr. Kaiser:

RE: Welding Procedure and Qualifying Testing

Staff from the Washington State Utilities and Transportation Commission (staff) has reviewed the information provided in your August 22, 2012, letter regarding the re-qualification of Georgia Pacific – Camas (GP) welding procedures. This included the following documents:

- GP Weld Procedure Specification GP-Camas01 Rev 1 dated 4/15/2012
- GP Procedure Qualification Record dated 4/15/2012
- Letter from Carlson Testing, Inc. dated 4/20/2012
- Supporting documentation: Section 5 Qualification of Welding Procedures for Welds Containing Filler-metal Additives
- Overview of Welding Procedure Qualification Tasks and Testing

After reviewing the weld procedure and qualification tests for adherence to API 1104, 20th Edition, we find that the procedure and qualifying tests meet the API standard and can be used on your regulated pipeline per 49 CFR §192 Subpart E, Welding of Steel in Pipelines.

Staff found that the procedure and qualifying tests were presented in a very organized and clear manner and with properly qualified welders, should provide GP with satisfactory results for any future welding on the pipeline. As we understand it, these documents were added to the new operations and maintenance manual put in place for GP by Cosentino Consulting.

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We appreciate the effort by GP in getting these very important procedures revised and in place. If you have any questions or we may be of service, please contact Dennis Ritter at (360) 664-1159.

Sincerely,

David D. Lykken

Pipeline Safety Director

cc: Steve Ringquist, Reliability Leader, Georgia Pacific Consumer Products (Camas) LLC Ron Simmons, Georgia Pacific Atlanta Bob Cosentino, Cosentino Consulting