

**POST INSPECTION MEMORANDUM**

**Inspector:** Lex Vinsel/WUTC  
**Reviewed:** Joe Subsits/WUTC  
**Peer Reviewed:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Follow-Up Enforcement:** No Violation  
**PCP\* PCO\* NOA WL LOC**  
**Director Approval\*** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** January 11, 2012

**Operator Inspected:**  
Puget Sound Energy  
PO Box 90868 M/S PSE-12N  
Bellevue, WA 98007

**OPID:** 22189

**Region:** Western

**Unit Address:**  
PSE Sumas Gas Pipeline  
1340 Thompson Lane  
Sumas, WA

**Unit Inspected:** PSE Sumas Gas Pipeline  
**Unit Type:** Interstate Natural Gas Transmission  
**Inspection Type:** Standard  
**Record Location:** Bellevue, WA  
**Inspection Dates:** March 22, July 26-28, Aug 2-4, 2011  
**AFOD:** 7  
**SMART Activity Number:**

**Unit ID:** 74999

**Operator Contact:** Michael Shores, Plant Manager  
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**Unit Description:**

PSE Sumas Interstate Pipeline facilities consist of (1) the border crossing facility, i.e., an interconnection with Westcoast Energy, Inc., at the international border between Canada and the United States, and (2) an 8-inch diameter pipeline located directly south of the Sumas gas meter station that crosses the Canada-United States border near or within the City of Sumas in Whatcom County, extending a distance of approximately 3.79 miles. The 8-inch diameter pipeline interconnects with the Sumas tie-in station at the 125-megawatt gas-fired Sumas cogeneration power plant owned by Sumas Cogeneration Company, L.P. (SCCLP).

**Facilities Inspected:**

Unit inspection covered 3.79 miles of pipe from the border crossing to the Sumas Cogeneration plant.

**Persons Interviewed:**

Darryl Hong	Compliance Program Manager	425-462-3911
Cheryl McGrath	Manager, Gas Compliance & Regulatory Audits	425-462-3207
Scott Sammons	Damage Prevention Coordinator	425-457-5816
Rick Elkin	Contract manager, Contractor Management	253-395-6893
Steve Schueneman	Consulting Engineer	425-462-3971
Stephanie Silva	Consulting Engineer	425-462-3923
Dorothy C. Bracken	Customer Communications Manager	425-462-3206
Abigail J. Elliott	Public Relations Analyst	425-462-3795
Joe Graham	Senior Construction Manager	206-396-7413
Carol Wallace	Gas Operations Director	425-457-5807
Signe Lippert	Supervisor Maintenance Programs	206-766-6787
Gary Swanson	Program Coordinator	206-766-6811

**Probable Violations/Concerns:**

None.

**Follow up on the history of prior offenses that are still open:**

Prior Offenses (for the past 5 years)		
CPF #	What type of open enforcement action(s)?	Status of the regulations(s) violated (Reoccurrence Offenses, Implement a NOA Revision, Completion of PCO or CO, and etc...)

**Recommendations:**

Maintain normal inspection cycle.

**Comments:**

First inspection of Interstate operator since status change.

**Attachments:**

PHMSA Form 1 – Standard Inspection Report of a Gas Transmission Pipeline

PHMSA Form 13 – Pipeline Drug and Alcohol Questions

PHMSA Form 15 – OQ Field Inspection Protocol

PHMSA Form 16 – IMP Field Verification

Form R – Notes Field Inspection