



Washington State Dig Law Safety Committee

A Standing Committee of Washington Utilities Coordinating Council

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November 21, 2016

Steve King, 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 Number 16-014 and 16-015
Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. vs PSE

Dear Mr. King:

The Washington State Dig Law Safety Committee received two complaints regarding potential violations of the Washington State Dig Law RCW 19.122, for work performed on August 18, 2015. The complaints were filed with the Safety Committee on May 17, 2016. On November 16, 2016 a Review Board of the Safety Committee heard the complaints. The Complainant in the case is Stantec Consulting Services Inc. and the Respondent is Puget Sound Energy.

The complainant alleged violations of RCW 19.122.030(3)(a), failure to locate for both Case 16-014 and Case 16-015. The Review Committee finds that the respondent, Puget Sound Energy did violate RCW 19.122.030(3)(a) as alleged on Case 16-014 by failing to locate the natural gas service. The Review Committee additionally finds that Puget Sound Energy violated RCW 19.122.030(3)(a) a second time in Case 16-015, for failing to locate the natural gas service "within reasonable accuracy" as defined in RCW 19.122.020(23).

The Review Committee recommends the following penalties be assessed to the respondent:

\$1000.00 for violating 19.122.030(3)(a) Case 16-014

\$1000.00 for violating 19.122.030(3)(a) Case 16-015

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this case. I can be contacted at 425.430.7212.

Sincerely,

Dave Christensen, Chair

Cc: Lynda Holloway, UTC

Erik Waligorski, Stantec Consulting Services

Brett Conrad, Puget Sound Energy

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