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November 24, 2015

Puget Sound Energy
Attn: Jeff McMeekin
PO Box 97034 - PSE 09 N
Bellevue, WA 98004

**Re: City of Bellevue Local Permit Nos. (SDP) 11-131124-WG and (CUP) 12-127693-WA;
2015-NW-2900 SIMULTANEOUS FILING OF Administratively Approved Substantial
Development Permit and Shoreline Conditional Use Permit**

Dear Mr. McMeekin:

On October 16, 2015, we received the City of Bellevue's decision on Puget Sound Energy's (PSE) shoreline permits, which are described as follows:

- 1) **Administrative conditional approval** of Substantial Development Permit (11-131124-WG) to construct a new 115kV overhead transmission line to connect the Lake Hills Substation with the Phantom Lake Substation.
- 2) **Approval** of Shoreline Conditional Use Permit (12-127693-WA) use authorization to construct a new 115kV overhead transmission line to connect the Lake Hills Substation with the Phantom Lake Substation.

By law, Ecology must review Conditional Use Permits for compliance with:

- The Shoreline Management Act (Chapter 90.58 RCW);
- Ecology's Conditional Use Permit approval criteria (Chapter 173-27-160 WAC); and
- The City of Bellevue Local Shoreline Master Program.

After reviewing Conditional Use Permits for compliance, Ecology must decide whether to approve, approve with conditions, or disapprove them.

Our Decision:

Ecology approves your Conditional Use Permit provided your project complies with the conditions required by the City of Bellevue. **Please note, however, that other federal, state, and local permits may be required in addition to this shoreline permit.**



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What Happens Next?

Before you begin activities authorized by this permit, the law requires you to wait at least 21 days from November 24, 2015, the “date of filing.” This waiting period allows anyone (including you) who disagrees with any aspect of this permit to appeal the decision to the state Shorelines Hearings Board. You must wait for the conclusion of an appeal before you can begin the activities authorized by this permit.

The Shorelines Hearings Board will notify you by letter if they receive an appeal. We recommend you contact the Shorelines Hearings Board before you begin permit activities to ensure no appeal has been received. They can be reached at (360) 664-9160 or <http://www.eho.wa.gov>.

If **you** want to appeal this decision, you can find appeal instructions (Chapter 461-08 WAC) at the Shorelines Hearings Board website above. They are also posted on the website of the Washington State Legislature at <http://apps.leg.wa.gov/wac/default.aspx?cite=461-08>.

If you have any questions, please contact Joe Burcar at 425-649-7145.

Sincerely,



Erik Stockdale, Section Manager
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cc: Sally Nichols, City of Bellevue