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Eric Martuscelli
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Cascade Natural Gas Corporation
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Dear Mr. Martuscelli:

RE: 2013 Natural Gas Standard Inspection –Tri-Cities and Walla Walla Districts

Thank you for your letter, dated December 18, 2013, addressing the findings of our inspection conducted during the week of October 14-18, 2013, of Cascade Natural Gas (CNG) Tri-Cities and Walla Walla Districts

Staff accepts CNG's proposals to bring these items into compliance.

It should be noted that commission staff (staff) continue to work with Mr. Steve Kessie and Mr. Jeremy Ogden to finalize the maximum allowable operating pressure (MAOP) missing data and CNG's program to obtain this information. This would allow CNG to confirm current operating pressures of certain high pressure pipelines (the 8-inch Attalia line is one that was specifically discussed during this inspection).

CNG will be submitting to staff, a plan describing the MAOP validation process no later than March 31, 2014. The plan will include a summary of missing data for each high pressure segment, a description of the prioritization to ensure that the highest risk segments are evaluate first and a list of anticipated dates for completion of the project.

If you have any questions or if we may be of any assistance, please contact Dennis Ritter at (360) 664-1159.

Sincerely,

David D. Lykken
Pipeline Safety Director

cc: Tina Beach, Manager of Standards & Compliance
Steve Kessie, Director, Operation Services
Jeremy Ogden, Director, Engineering Services
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