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Dear Mr. Mayo:

**RE: 2018 Natural Gas Standard Inspection – Puget Sound Energy, King County West Inspection  
No. 7550**

PSE has received and reviewed your letter dated October 26 regarding the 2018 King County West Audit, and pursuant to your request is submitting the following written response to the issues identified.

#### AREA OF CONCERN

- 1. WAC 480-93-110 Corrosion control**  
(2) Each gas pipeline company must complete remedial action within ninety days to correct any cathodic protection deficiencies known and indicated by any test, survey, or inspection. An additional thirty days may be allowed for remedial action if due to circumstances beyond the gas pipeline company's control the company cannot complete remedial action within ninety days. Each gas pipeline company must be able to provide documentation to the commission indicating that remedial action was started in a timely manner and that all efforts were made to complete remedial action within ninety days. (Examples of circumstances allowing each gas pipeline company to exceed the ninety-day time frame include right of way permitting issues, availability of repair materials, or unusually long investigation repair requirements.)

#### **Finding:**

During the field portion of the inspection, we obtained a low reading at the following location:

9/28/2018 TS-052826 NE 65<sup>th</sup> St and 24<sup>th</sup> Ave NE -826 mV CSE PSP (galvanic system)

**PSE Response:**

In response to the low read at NE 65<sup>th</sup> St and 24<sup>th</sup> Ave NE in Seattle, PSE promptly created notification 11467465 and order 109117167 to remediate the low psp read. The low read is going to be remediated by installing additional anodes. PSE applied for a construction permit from the City of Seattle on October 22, 2018.

PSE re-checked the site on 11/5/2018 and obtained -883mV. While this is now an acceptable read, PSE is still planning to complete the installation of anodes.

We trust the information provided is responsive to the findings of the UTC inspection. PSE is committed to constructing, operating, and maintaining a safe gas pipeline system.

Sincerely,



Booga K. Gilbertson

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