February 17, 2010

Mr. Jim LaSpina
Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council
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Dear Mr. LaSpina:

I am pleased to submit a letter of support for the proposed expansion of the Grays Harbor Energy facilities located at the Satsop Development Park. The Grays Harbor Public Development Authority (GHPDA) owns and manages the Satsop Development Park, a mixed-use business and technology park being developed on the site of the unfinished nuclear power plants in eastern Grays Harbor County. We have worked cooperatively with GH Energy throughout the development of their existing facilities, including providing water, land and facilities to support their current operations. It is anticipated that the Park will provide additional land, water and shared infrastructure to support their expansion, and we look forward to working with them as they move forward.

The Satsop site’s original purpose was energy generation – nuclear – but the combustion turbine projects were envisioned by Energy Northwest since the early 1990s, even before the creation of the Satsop Development Park. The Site Transfer Agreements (which created the Park back in 1998) made provision for this development to occur, including options for the purchase of land and water to support the anticipated CT projects at Satsop. GH Energy’s business fits well within the Park’s industrial zoning classification and was included in the Park’s Comprehensive Master Plan; our infrastructure and utilities play a key role in GH Energy’s current and future operations; and their activities are a good match with the other business uses at the Park.

We trust that the facilities will be developed to meet all current codes and requirements, we appreciate the good working relationship we have with GH Energy, and are supportive of their desire to expand. Their success benefits not only the Satsop Development Park but the region as a whole, with the addition of much-needed jobs, tax base, and energy resources for our community. Please do not hesitate to call me at (360) 482-1602 should you have any questions or require additional information. We look forward to working with GH Energy on this addition to their complex at the Satsop Development Park.

Sincerely,

Tami L. Garrow
President and CEO