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RE: Sumas Energy 2 Generation Facility

ENERGY FACILITY SITE EVALUATION COUNCIL

Dear Council:

I am writing as an individual that will be impacted by the building of the Sumas Energy Plant. I have requested a copy of the DEIS statement that was published on or about March 15, 2000. My local library did not have a copy until March 17, 2000. As you know, the statement is exhaustive in length as well as very technical and complex.

I am requesting that the comment period be extended for a minimum of an additional thirty days. It is patently obvious to me that an intelligent, informed response to a document such as the DEIS statement cannot be undertaken in the time period presently allowed.

I guess my thoughts are, what is the rush? Thousands of people will be affected, possibly adversely, by the building of this plant. Is it not better to have informed comment before the permit is issued and the plant is built rather than wringing our hands at a later date if the predictions of some regarding the negative impact of this plant prove true?

While I understand a number of individuals were informed by Sumas Energy 2 about the proposed plant, I believe their mailings were misleading. The gist of what they said was that power would be transported north to Canada. They further stated that any proposed power lines which might at some point run through Whatcom County would be only slightly taller than the existing power poles. Both of these statements are misleading at best. The proposed power poles as I have learned will be between seventy and ninety feet tall as compared to the existing poles, which are in the thirty-foot range. Moreover, it appears no one in Canada had agreed to buy any power from Sumas Energy 2 and the likely purchasers will be not Canada, but Puget Power Energy.

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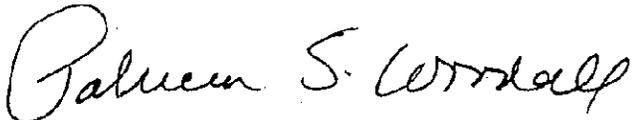
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Because of the above, I do not believe thirty days from March 17, 2000 is adequate time for a comment on the DEIS.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter. Please advise me of the Council's decision so that I may proceed accordingly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patricia S. Woodall". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Patricia S. Woodall.

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