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Johan Hellman
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Subject: Vancouver Energy Project

Dear Mr. Hellman:

Thank you to you and your colleagues for taking the time to meet with myself and other EFSEC staff on October 11, 2016. During this meeting you were able to provide helpful information related to some of our questions about BNSF operations. As you may know, if the Tesoro Savage Vancouver Energy Project (Project) is approved, the Governor and the Project will enter into a site certification agreement that is the primary mechanism through which the State of Washington will address project impacts.

We view the Project Applicant as a key participant in resolving rail impact issues. We therefore suggested to the Applicant that they convene and facilitate future meetings with you to develop options for robust and enforceable rail mitigation measures, which can be submitted to EFSEC for consideration.

Please contact me at (360) 664-1903 if you have any questions concerning this letter.

Sincerely,

Stephen Posner
EFSEC Manager

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