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Subject: Vancouver Energy – Meetings with BNSF

Dear Mr. Larrabee:

Thank you to you and your colleagues for meeting with us on September 7, 2016. As you may recall, one of the subjects we discussed was BNSF's apparent willingness to discuss options to mitigate potential rail impacts. We followed-up with BNSF and on October 11, 2016 we met with BNSF's Johan Hellman, Zak Anderson, John Lovenburg, and Courtney Wallace. The meeting participants agreed that further meetings might be beneficial.

Because a site certification agreement (SCA) between the Governor and the Applicant would be the primary means by which the State of Washington would address project impacts, in our view the Applicant should take the lead in scheduling and participating in future meetings with BNSF. EFSEC staff availability to participate in future meetings is limited. As EFSEC's concerns have already been shared with the Applicant and BNSF, EFSEC staff availability should not be viewed as a limiting factor in proceeding with future meetings between the Applicant and BNSF.

If you are successful in reaching agreements between the Applicant and BNSF then you may wish to share that information with EFSEC for consideration as it develops its recommendation to the Governor.

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

Sincerely,

Stephen Posner
EFSEC Manager

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