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Harry Shapiro Director of Gas Operations Puget Sound Energy 355 110th Ave NE, M/S EST 11W Bellevue, Washington 98004

RE: 2021 Natural Gas Control Room Management – Puget Sound Energy Headquarters (Insp. No. 8294)

Dear Mr. Shapiro:

Thank you for your letter dated October 21, 2021, addressing the findings of our 2021 inspection of Puget Sound Energy's Control Room Management Plan.

At this time, Staff accepts PSE's responses to the two (2) Probable Violations found during the inspection. Staff also accepts PSE's responses to six (6) of the seven (7) Areas of Concern discovered during the inspection. Regarding Area of Concern #4, which identified PSE's failure to provide a procedure for how safety related data points are determined and defined, Staff discussed concerns related to this item with PSE Compliance staff, who indicated that an updated procedure will be added to the Control Room Management Plan. The tentative expected completion date for this action will be March 2022, consistent with the timeframes for the other plan updates specified in your October 21 response.

Staff will monitor the completion of the tasks PSE has proposed to bring the Control Room Management Plan into compliance. If there are any changes to the proposed completion dates, please notify us as soon as practical.

Staff thanks PSE's personnel for their cooperation and assistance during this inspection.

If you have any questions or if we may be of any assistance, please contact Darren Tinnerstet at (360) 764 - 0779.

Sincerely,

Sean C. Mayo Pipeline Safety Director

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