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Irina Robinson Owner Mount Vernon Terrace Apartments 3118 South Mount Vernon Street Spokane, WA 99223

RE: 2021 Natural Gas Master Meter Standard Inspection – Mount Vernon Terrace Apts – (Insp. No. 8312)

Dear Ms. Robinson:

Thank you for your response, dated November 5, 2021, addressing the findings of our natural gas master meter inspection of Mount Vernon Terrace Apts (MVTA). This inspection identified six (6) probable violations of state and/or federal pipeline safety rules.

Your response noted that MVTA was currently under contract with Affordable Housing Group IV LLC (SP) who intends to purchase MVTA in early 2022. You also noted that after the purchase Affordable Housing Group agreed to work towards eliminating the existing master meter pipeline system in accordance with the existing plan proposed by Avista and MVTA.

To address the Area of Concern noted in the results letter, staff requests that MVTA coordinates for a qualified individual to conduct a cathodic protection (CP) survey of the entire pipeline system. If CP on the pipeline is found to be below standards MVTA must bring CP levels into compliance as soon as practicable. Staff will follow up with MVTA to ensure this survey happens in a timely manner.

Staff thanks MVTA'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 Anthony Dorrough at (360) 481-4035.

Sincerely,

Sean C. Mayo Pipeline Safety Director