January 15, 2010

Puget Sound Energy to survey land and trim or remove trees along transmission lines

Dear Resident or Business Owner,

Beginning this month through early March, Puget Sound Energy and our contractor Fakkema & Kingma will be working along the route identified on the map on the back of this letter to survey the utility corridor and mark with wooden stakes and colored flags the edge of PSE’s right of way. In many cases, surveyors will need safe access to PSE easements that are in fenced areas. **Please do not remove the stakes after they are placed.**

Surveyors will be walking the proposed power-line route between 7 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. on weekdays and carry identification.

This work is in preparation for PSE’s 2010 vegetation management project to increase the reliability and capacity of the electric system on Whidbey Island and reduce the chances of tree-related service disruptions during storms. Following the completion of the survey work, PSE plans to identify, evaluate and potentially remove trees with a mature height of more than 25 feet and trees that are in danger of falling or dropping limbs onto our power lines.

For more information about this project, we invite you to attend our open house community meeting on **Thursday, January 21** from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at the Living Word Church, 490 NW Crosby Ave. in Oak Harbor.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at the phone number or e-mail address below. You may also call toll-free at 1-888-225-5773. Select option 8, and then dial extension 83-7057.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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