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April 29, 2025

WSDOT Aviation Division
Attn: David Ison, Ph.D.
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VIA EMAIL

SUBJECT: Snohomish PUD Battery Energy Storage System Response to Comments

Dear Dr. Ison,

Snohomish PUD appreciates your review and comments on the permit application and SEPA checklist for the Arlington Battery Energy Storage System Project (PLN #1311). We are providing this letter in response to your comments of March 12, 2025.

While the BESS project is a separate proposal from the microgrid, solar array, substation, and transmission line, these features are located on the same property. Snohomish PUD submitted an obstruction evaluation request to the FAA for the associated transmission line structures, and received a "no effect" determination on April 11, 2025 (attached). In addition, the solar array was installed in 2019 under a separate permit and partially relocated immediately adjacent in 2024. A glare study was conducted prior to construction, and FAA issued a determination of No Hazard to Air Navigation on July 11, 2018.

Snohomish PUD and Ameresco do not anticipate any impact to the BESS project from aircraft noise, vibrations, or fumes.

Please contact myself or Ameresco's on-site construction manager, Scott Wentworth at 510-684-7684 or swentworth@ameresco.com if you have any questions or require further details. Project staff are available to meet with you on request.

Thank you for your review.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jessica Spahr".

Jessica Spahr

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