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Project No. 2244-022—Washington
Packwood Lake Hydroelectric Project
Energy Northwest

March 12, 2019

Scott Urban
Energy Northwest
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Subject: Acknowledgement of updated Rare Plant Management Plan

Dear Mr. Urban:

Thank you for your updated Rare Plant Management Plan (updated plan) filed on January 9, 2019. The updated plan reflects new implementation schedules and project upgrades developed since the original Rare Plant Management Plan (2008 plan) was approved by the license.¹

The 2008 plan requires you to submit annual rare plant management reports with the Commission after consulting with the U.S. Forest Service (Forest Service) and other interested agencies during the annual Resource Coordination Meeting and incorporating comments and recommendations. The 2008 plan also requires review every 5 years and updating if necessary. The updated plans must include updated rare plant species lists for the Forest Service and Washington Natural Heritage Program and be developed in consultation with the Forest Service.

Your updated plan includes an updated rare plant species list and you state your updated plan was developed in consultation with the Forest Service. Your updated plan meets the requirements of the 2008 plan approved by the license. Please include documentation of your consultations in all future rare plant management reports and updated plans. Although the Commission will continue to review your rare plant management reports and updated plans we will no longer write letters unless further action is needed. When your future filings for this requirement are posted on the Commission's e-library system, you may consider that as acknowledgment of the Commission's receipt of your submittal.

¹ *Northwest Energy*, 165 FERC ¶ 62,031 (2018).

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (202) 502-6376 or david.rudisail@ferc.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Rudisail". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "D" and "R".

David Rudisail
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