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Gentlemen:

On October 27, 2011 Friends of the Columbia Gorge (FOCG) and Save Our Scenic Area (SOSA) filed an Objection under WAC 463-30-093 concerning Skamania County Representative, Mr. Doug Sutherland's October 6, 2011 vote to approve the Whistling Ridge Energy Project Application No. 2009-01.

In that filing, FOCG and SOSA argue that the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (Council) and Mr. Sutherland failed to comply with WAC 463-30-093 which states in part that "council members representing local jurisdictions pursuant to RCW 80.50.030(4) may discuss and, if authorized, vote only on issues affecting their jurisdictions."

The Whistling Ridge Project is located entirely within Skamania County. All issues in the proceeding are directly associated with the Whistling Ridge Project. Therefore, all the issues in the proceedings are directly associated with and of material interest to Skamania County

The Objection is denied.

Best Regards,

James O. Luce,
EFSEC Chair

