

KITTITAS COUNTY
Board of County Commissioners

AGENDA STAFF REPORT

AGENDA DATE: August 5, 2014

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of Claim #2014 060 600 27

BACKGROUND: On March 4, 2014, a pad-mounted transformer owned by Claimant Puget Sound Energy (PSE) was stuck and damaged by a Public Works Department snow plow during routine plowing in the Cle Elum area. PSE submitted a cost breakdown for repair/replacement of the damaged equipment.

INTERACTION: PSE filed a claim against the County alleging \$8,883.86 in damages. The Prosecutor's Office requested input from the Department of Public Works, who recommends approving the claim. The Prosecutor's Office concurs with this recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION: It appears that the County is responsible for the damage to PSE's equipment and so should reimburse PSE for the damage we caused. Recommend payment of claim damages after execution by Claimant of a Release of All Claims.

ATTACHMENTS: Claim of Puget Sound Energy.
Written response to claim by Public Works Department Staff.

LEAD STAFF: Michael P. Nigrey, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney