



July 15, 2018

Lindsey Ozbolt
Planning Official
Kittitas County Community Development Services
411 N. Ruby St., Suite 2
Ellensburg, WA 98926



**Re: Vantage – Pomona Heights 230kV Transmission Line Project, Kittitas County,
Zoning Conditional Use Application**

Dear Ms. Ozbolt:

Through this application, Pacific Power respectfully requests approval of a Zoning Conditional Use Permit Application to construction, operate, and maintain approximately 27.6 miles of 230 kilovolt (kV) transmission line in Kittitas County (the “Project”).

As discussed in our pre-application meeting held on October, 25th, 2017 and follow up consultation meetings/conversations with County staff (Dan Carlson email November 3rd, 2017 and others), the proposed transmission line in Kittitas County is an import component of the regional reliability for electric utility services. Pacific Power proposes to construct, operate and maintain a new 230 kV transmission line from Pacific Power’s Pomona Heights Substation located just east of Selah, Washington in Yakima County to Bonneville Power Administration’s (BPA’s) Vantage Substation located just east of the Wanapum Dam in Grant County, Washington. Approximately 27.6 linear miles of the transmission line passes through the southeastern corner of Kittitas County. Project components in Kittitas County include: transmission line right-of-way (ROW), 162 transmission line structures, conductor, fiber optic ground wire (OPGW), shield wire, temporary construction work areas, and access roads. The total ROW width is 125 feet, additional ROW may be required for guys and anchors at particular structure locations.

The Project Area within Kittitas County covered by the Zoning Conditional Use Permit Application is approximately 560 acres, based on an easement width of 125-feet. Pacific Power is currently negotiating with landowners to acquire easements for construction, operation, and maintenance of the Project. Based on progress to date, we anticipate executing easements or easement option agreements by late summer of this year.



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Pacific Power and I appreciate the County's consideration of this application and we look forward to working together on the permitting process. Should you have any questions about our proposal, please feel free to contact me at 720-598-3829 or 208-608-3191.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. A. D." with a flourish at the end.

Dave Dean
Project Manager
Burns & McDonnell