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Gary Huhta, General Manager
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RE: Cowlitz PUD I-5 Corridor Electric Distribution Capacity Upgrades

Dear Mr. Huhta:

A C Management is the owner of the remaining 54 acres at the SE corner at I-5 and Exit 52 here in Castle Rock. The main anchor is the Space Age Travel Center Group. Their locating here has brought another 4,000-5,000 daily vehicles off of I-5 stopping in Cowlitz County for fuel and food. There are currently close to fifty people that work at this location.

Our long term plans at this site include EVC. We have met with Washington State Dept of Transportation officials, and they would like to see 20-25 chargers with the ability to charge semi-trucks, box vans, and of course some of the hundreds of EV passenger vehicles that drive this corridor daily. They are highly in favor of a large electric vehicle charging facility here. They say this location at exit 52 between Seattle and Portland could not be better.

Also, based on interest communicated to us and our preliminary planning efforts, we believe that uses including truck repair, light manufacturing, bulk frozen food freezer storage, and restaurants/services, will fit great here at this outstanding I-5 location.

The economic growth here will happen based on the additional power that becomes available. We feel that our site alone could very easily use an additional 1-2 Megawatts of electrical capacity or more. I hope in the near future additional power becomes available here so our plans and the good that comes with well managed growth happens for all.

We support Cowlitz PUD's efforts to secure federal funding for upgrading electric distribution capacity along the I-5 corridor north of Castle Rock.

Sincerely,

Andy Divine

Andy Divine, Principal