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January 10, 2020

Honorable Will Hall
Mayor of Shoreline
17500 Midvale Ave North
Shoreline, WA 98133-4905

Shoreline \$ 44,180

Dear Honorable Hall:

Thank you for helping to ensure clean air for your residents in Shoreline. Air quality is not only a key to good health, it is vital in maintaining a competitive and sustainable economy. Your community's support for our work helps keep our region in compliance with all federal criteria pollutant standards. In addition, we are continuing to strive to make the Puget Sound region a leader in protecting our climate for current and future generations.

In a letter sent to you on behalf of the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency Board of Directors in June 2019, we advised you of the amount of the Clean Air Assessment for calendar year 2020. We have sent an invoice to your organization's accounting department and payment to the agency is due by February 9, 2020 unless your organization elects to pay quarterly.

How We Determine the Assessment

The overall four-county assessment is based on a per capita rate (83 cents), approved annually by our Board of Directors and applied to the total four-county population. This is same rate as the prior year. Your jurisdiction's portion of the total assessment is based on a statutory method (RCW 70.94.093) using assessed property valuation and population. This assessment supports air quality programs and monitoring on a regional and local level to ensure all who live and work in the Puget Sound region can breathe clean air.

How We Work to Achieve Clean Air

Our work is defined by the federal and state Clean Air Acts and by our Board of Directors. The Clean Air Acts prescribe air quality standards and laws designed to protect public health. Our Board sets additional goals and policy direction, responding to the needs and concerns in the Puget Sound Region.

Our Goals and Objectives

Our 2014-2020 Strategic Plan has seven air quality and climate objectives organized under two goals:

Goal One: Protect public health and the environment from air pollution

1. Meet National Ambient Air Quality Standards [federal standards]-in 2017, we were designated as in attainment for ozone and we maintained our status of attainment of fine particulate.
2. Reduce transportation emissions, especially diesel particulate, in highly impacted locations.
3. Reduce emissions and exposures from wood smoke and outdoor burning. *In the last thirteen years, we have incentivized the removal and recycling of 5,600 old, polluting wood stoves in King, Kitsap, Pierce and Snohomish Counties, reducing exposure to wood smoke emissions for Puget Sound area residents.*
4. Prevent, reduce and control emissions and exposure from significant stationary sources of air pollution
5. Characterize and communicate air quality throughout the region, with the active participation of the public. This is critical during episodes such as last August's wildfire smoke event.
6. Reduce inequities in air pollution exposure *because there are still too many areas where residents suffer disproportionate impacts of air pollution.*

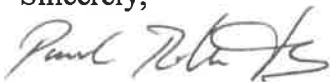
Goal Two: Become the most climate-friendly region in the United States

1. Reduce emissions of greenhouse gases from transportation. *We are developing reduction strategies that reduce emissions and are consistent with the region's growth.*

The per capita assessment is a critical source of funds to deliver clean air for our region's citizens. Thank you again for your community's support for good air quality.

I invite you to visit the agency's Web site (www.pscleanair.org) or contact Craig Kenworthy directly at 206.689.4004 or toll free at 1.800.552.3565, ext. 4004, to learn more about other work the agency does on your behalf to provide clean air for our region.

Sincerely,



Paul Roberts, Everett City Council Member
Chair, Puget Sound Clean Air Agency Board of Directors

cc: Mark Gregg, Finance Manager