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Dear Recipient,

Thank you for your continuing interest in the Columbia River Crossing project. This package includes two separate items related to the CRC project:

- An Errata to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS), and
- Other documents developed for public communication and outreach.

Draft EIS Errata

The Errata corrects or clarifies known errors that were in the Draft EIS released for public review on May 2, 2008. Corrections include typographical errors as well as clarifications and corrections regarding transit ridership reporting. Some of the transit mode share estimates reported in the Draft EIS have been reduced for the Supplemental alternatives, and others have been reduced by one to two percentage points for all alternatives. These changes are due in part to errors in mathematical calculations, and to variations in the way that transit mode share can be calculated and reported. In most cases, these corrections made little change in the estimated number of transit riders, but did make a difference in how the transit mode share was estimated and reported.

It is important to note that none of these corrections change the relative performance of the alternatives regarding transit ridership; nor do any of the corrections change the Draft EIS findings regarding environmental, community or cultural impacts.

Once issued and sent to the recipients of the Draft EIS, the Errata is considered part of the Draft EIS. The Errata may be updated if additional significant errors are found. Updated DEIS Errata and Clarifications can be found in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement section of the Library on the project Web site, <u>www.ColumbiaRiverCrossing.com</u>. Consistent with the National Environmental Policy Act, any errors found in the Draft EIS or comments received during the public comment period (ending July 1, 2008) will be addressed in the Final EIS which is expected to be issued in summer 2009.

Communication and Outreach Materials

Separately from the Errata, we have developed several new communication materials based on information included in the DEIS that we thought might be of interest. The Table of Contents sheet will be displayed at the upcoming open houses to help people find information in the DEIS that is most important to them. This information can also be found in Appendix J of the DEIS.

The enclosed folio titled "CRC and Climate Change" is a publication that we developed to provide specific information about how the project helps reduce greenhouse gas emissions. This information is based on the analysis that was included in the Draft EIS.

We look forward to hearing what you think during the comment period. Please feel free to contact me with any questions you have about this package at (360) 737-2726.

Sincerely,

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