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Paul Rowland, Executive Director of AASHE
1536 Wynkoop St., Suite 100
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Dear Mr. Rowland,

I have co-chaired Puget Sound's Sustainability Advisory Committee since it was established by our university president in 2005. I also have served on its executive subcommittee since that time.

As Puget Sound's Executive Director of Community Engagement and Associate Vice President for Business Services, I directly supervise Security Services. The director of Security Services is the university commute trip reduction coordinator (at times assisted by a co-coordinator). As such, he has managed Puget Sound's parking and commute trip reduction programs for many years.

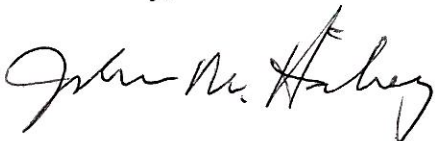
I previously served as director of safety and security. I thereby also am familiar with parking and commute trip management.

I hereby affirm that Puget Sound's federal transportation grant program efforts were innovative and instrumental in fostering multiple sustainable transportation achievements. This included commute habit assessment to establish multi-year strategic parking and commute trip reduction plans. These plans are being submitted for university review and approval in fall 2012.

Grant program achievements and innovations also were acknowledged via receipt of a 2011 Governor's Top Commute Smart Award and the naming of Puget Sound's co-coordinators as 2011 Pierce Trips' Employee Transportation Coordinators of the Year (among all government, business, and nonprofit entities in the county). The innovative program impact was recognized within and outside of the university.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



John M. Hickey
Executive Director of Community Engagement and
Associate Vice President for Business Services