

Health Advisory Notice to Homeowners / Residents

Nov. 21, 2006

Residents of this area with homes located below the area of a recent diesel fuel leak are advised to continue using bottled drinking water until further notice. Puget Sound Energy (PSE) is collaborating with local and state health departments about the safety of your drinking water.

With this notice, PSE will make arrangements to provide your residence with bottled drinking water. If you need bottled water, please call PSE at 1-888-831-7250 and leave a message that includes your name, your cabin number and location, your phone number and the day and time of when you would like bottled water delivered to your cabin.

Tests are being conducted to determine the extent of any water contamination. Until the tests are complete, we recommend continuing to take the safety precaution of <u>using bottled water for</u> drinking, brushing teeth, preparing food and making ice.

PSE has been working with state and federal agencies since Friday, Nov. 3, to contain and clean up an estimated 18,000 gallon leak of diesel fuel from the company's back-up electricity generator located on Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest land below the Crystal Mountain Ski Area in Pierce County. The fuel leak originated at a Puget Sound Energy (PSE) electricity generator for the Crystal Mountain Ski Resort. The affected area is downstream, in the Silver Creek basin, to the White River. The spill's cause is still under investigation.

Emergency cleanup crews from PSE, Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) have been working around the clock since the initial report of the spill to contain the diesel fuel and protect the nearby wetlands and Silver Creek.

Working with the U.S. Forest Service, PSE on Friday, Nov. 3 notified homeowners in the immediate area about the spill and recommended that they take safety precautions such as using bottled drinking water.

Authorities will notify residents when the possible contamination of drinking water has been resolved.