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From: White, John
Sent: Wednesday, December 10, 2008 5:59 PM
To: Paananen, Ron
Cc: Rigsby, Mike
Subject: RE: Cascadia Center News Release- tunnel costs overestimated

[The industry letter \(Vlad & co.\) we discussed is embedded in this.](#)

From: Smith, Jared [mailto:SmithJar@pbworld.com]
Sent: Wednesday, December 10, 2008 4:34 PM
To: Rigsby, Mike; Dye, Dave; Paananen, Ron; White, John; Grotefendt, Amy (Consultant)
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FYI
[I just received this as a DSA Board member](#)

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From: Renee Roline [mailto:renee@discovery.org]
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Subject: Cascadia Center News Release- tunnel costs overestimated

Dear Rob and DSA Board Members,

Congratulations on an excellent news release you sent out yesterday. We agree with your position.

Attached please find our release, an "apples to apples" comparison chart of bored tunnel projects around the world and two letters from our team of tunneling experts to the viaduct stakeholder committee.

We have requested a meeting with the project team to review the findings of our tunnel experts.

We strongly believe after three years of research and sponsorship of international forums, that the deep bored tunnel offers the best opportunity for throughput and reconnection of the waterfront with minimal disruption to downtown. The news today of Sound Transit's bid for the University Link Light Rail coming in at 34% below the agency's estimate (the Sound Transit Beacon Hill bored tunnel was also considered a success) reaffirms the position of our tunnel experts that the viaduct tunnel costs of the project team are unreasonably inflated.

Feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Bruce Agnew
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