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The Honorable Kim Wyman Elections Division ATTN: Initiative and Referendum PO Box 40220 Olympia, WA 98504-0220

Re:

Initiative No. 1631

Dear Secretary Wyman:

Pursuant to RCW 29A.72.060, we supply the following ballot title and ballot measure summary for Initiative No. 1631 to the People (an act relating to reducing pollution by investing in clean air, clean energy, clean water, healthy forests, and healthy communities by imposing a fee on large emitters based on their pollution).

BALLOT TITLE

Statement of Subject: Initiative Measure No. 1631 concerns pollution.

<u>Concise Description</u>: This measure would charge "pollution fees" on sources of greenhouse gas pollutants and use the revenue to reduce pollution, promote renewable energy, and address climate change impacts, under oversight of a public board.

Should this measure be enacted into law? Yes [] No []

BALLOT MEASURE SUMMARY

This measure would impose "pollution fees" on certain sources of greenhouse gas pollutants based on rules determining carbon content, starting in 2020. A public board would supervise spending the revenues on reducing pollution, renewable energy, and addressing climate change impacts to the environment and communities. Utilities could receive credits to avoid fees. Indian tribes would have rights to be consulted and object to decisions and projects. There would be periodic reporting on the measure's effectiveness.

Sincerely,

Deputy Solicitor General

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