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Dear Sam,

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Thank you for the great experience as a contractor for your utility. I really enjoyed the time working for you. You are one of my heroes and you always will be.

It is going pretty good here on the mainland. After my return from Areas we had a couple days together in Kirkland doing overhead secondary work. I was foreman and the two of us transferred some services on a street ~~widening~~ widening project. The services were on telephone company poles. Not too high, but plenty hard.

Then I went to Oregon for Rilea. It was ok, but not long enough. By the time we could really start learning stuff it was

time to go.

Well, I went to work Thursday and Friday of the second week on a job for Sedd again. We headed up to Darrington on a 50 pole double circuit distribution feeder circuit.

It is just a three man crew.

The foreman is Bob Belcher from Ruyhalper.

It is great to be on overhead work. There is a substantial underground section, but Sedd doesn't think we will do that part.

We have just been framing and setting poles. Some of them are on a transmission right of way between Snohomish County and 55KV and Seattle City Light, steel line, looks like its insulated for 345? Anyway things have been going fine.

So how about you? Do you still like your Stihl? Probably those things tend to grow on you. Are you having any luck with economic assistance for your company's storm costs? I sure hope so.

Oh, I talked to a friend named John Edwards who has done lots of underground splicing with transmission voltage pipe cable etc. He said that the "jap" cable is really a pain and that the jap companies are hard to deal with." So I'm sorry, I guess he can't be the source of bargain basement relief for a future underwater cable fault.

Well, I hope that the spring holds lots of promise for you, too. With some better weather, more daylight and a chance for personal projects, too.

You know Vern, I really enjoyed
learning from your crew. They
are all professionals and the
time I spent with you and
your crews is very special.

Yes, I realize you all are human,
but so are the rest of my heroes.
You brought out the best in me and
the best in everyone around you.
Thank you for everything.

Sincerely

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P.S. I'm really proud to
wear the OPALCO sticker on
my hard hat. Thanks again.