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Mr. Raymond King
City Administrator
City of Newport
200 S. Washington Avenue
Newport, WA 99156

RE: Daily Monitoring Requirement in NPDES Permit No. WA-0022322

Dear Mr. King:

There has been some confusion recently concerning the definition of “daily” as it relates to monitoring requirements for Total Residual Chlorine and pH in section S1 of Newport’s National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit (NPDES), Permit No. WA-0022322. The recent conversion to WEBDMR, electronic data entry, triggers our PARIS Data Tracking System to report violations on non-reported monitoring results for Total Residual Chlorine and pH on weekends.

NPDES Permit No. WA-0022322 does not define “daily”. Ecology normally considers “daily” to be seven days a week year round, but many smaller facilities have daily monitoring as Monday through Friday except for holidays. We normally modify the permit to define “daily” to fit the facility’s schedule when we find this discrepancy. We are unable to do this for Permit No. WA-0022322 at this time, because Newport’s discharge permit has been administratively extended.

Until we are able to issue a permit for Newport with “daily” defined, Ecology will consider “daily” to be Monday through Friday for purposes of daily pH and residual chlorine monitoring per your current operations. Please make sure your current staff schedule is in the Newport Operations and Maintenance Manual, and submit a copy of it with this and any other updates to Ms. Ellie Key, 4601 N. Monroe St, Spokane, WA 99205-1295.

You may contact me at (509) 329-3536 or mhep461@ecy.wa.gov with any questions.

Sincerely,

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Ellie Key

