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August 26, 2021

Atlas Plumbing  
ATTN: Sarah Homala  
428 Pekin Road  
Woodland, WA 98674

RE: Water Quality Certification Order No. **20671** for Corps Reference No. NWS-2021-167,  
Atlas Plumbing, Wetlands, Cowlitz County, Washington

Dear Sarah Homala:

On June 7, 2021, Atlas Plumbing submitted a request for a Section 401 Water Quality Certification (WQC) under the federal Clean Water Act for the Atlas Plumbing Project in Woodland, Cowlitz County, Washington.

On behalf of the state of Washington, the Department of Ecology certifies that the work described in the Joint Aquatic Resource Permit Application (JARPA) and the public notice complies with applicable provisions of Sections 301, 302, 303, 306, and 307 of the Clean Water Act, as amended, and applicable state laws.

Please ensure that anyone doing work under this Order has read, is familiar with, and is able to follow all of the provisions within the attached Order.

If you have any questions about this decision, please contact Lori Kingsbury at (360) 407-6926. The enclosed Order may be appealed by following the procedures described within the Order.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Perry J Lund", is written over a circular blue ink stamp.

Perry J Lund, Section Manager  
Shorelands and Environmental Assistance Program  
Southwest Regional Office

Enclosure

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e-cc: Danette Guy, Corps of Engineers, Seattle District  
James Barnes, Cascadia Ecological Services, Inc.  
Loree' Randall, Ecology  
Lori Kingsbury, Ecology  
Miranda Adams, Ecology  
ECY RE FEDPERMITS – Aquatics No. 140260

<b>IN THE MATTER OF GRANTING A</b>	)	<b>ORDER No. 20671</b>
<b>WATER QUALITY</b>	)	<b>Corps Reference No. NWS-2021-0167</b>
<b>CERTIFICATION TO</b>	)	Atlas Plumbing Project, Within Wetlands,
Atlas Plumbing	)	Woodland, Cowlitz County, Washington
pursuant to 33 U.S.C. 1341 (FWPCA	)	
§ 401), RCW 90.48.120, RCW 90.48.260	)	
and Chapter 173-201A WAC	)	

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- Prior to submitting the WQC request, Atlas Plumbing submitted a pre-filing meeting request on March 9, 2021.
- On June 25, 2021, Atlas Plumbing submitted additional information and the Department of Ecology (Ecology) considered the WQC Request valid on this date.
- On May 20, 2021, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) informed Ecology that they would be authorizing this project under a NWP 39, Commercial and Institutional Developments, which requires an individual WQC.
- Ecology issued a public notice for the project on June 29, 2021.

This project proposes to consolidate three (3) lots into two (2) in order to allow construction of a new pre-fabricated metal shop for the Atlas Plumbing Company. The project includes: construction of a new shop building, parking lot, sidewalks, an on-site stormwater management system, and landscaping.

Frontage improvements for both Scott and Pekin Roads will also be needed for the project. Those improvements include: road widening, curbing, planting strip, landscaping, sidewalk, stormwater management, water main and sewer main extensions.

The purpose of the project is to provide additional building, parking, and storage space for the expanding business.

The proposed project will impact 0.06 acre of Category IV wetlands. Wetland impacts will be mitigated through the purchase of 0.05 Credits from the Columbia River Mitigation Bank.

The project site is located on parcel number 50739 at 428 N. Pekin Road, Woodland, Cowlitz County, Washington; SE Section 13, Township 5 North, Range 1 West; WRIA 27, Lewis Watershed.

With this Order, Ecology is granting Atlas Plumbing's request for a Section 401 Water Quality Certification for the Atlas Plumbing project, provided that the activity is conducted in accordance with the Section 401 Water Quality Certification request and attachments Ecology determined valid on June 25, 2021, and the following supporting documentation:

1. Wetland Bank Use Plan, Atlas Plumbing, tax Parcel 50739, prepared by Jim Barnes, Cascadia Ecological Services, Inc., dated December 3, 2020.
2. E-mail sent to Ecology on June 25, 2021, containing a list of BMPs and Erosion Control Plan.

Based on the information submitted, Ecology has determined that the discharge from the project will comply with state water quality requirements. Prior to undertaking any changes that materially alter the project, Atlas Plumbing must contact Ecology to determine whether a new Section 401 Water Quality Certification is required.

Issuance of this Section 401 Water Quality Certification for this proposal does not authorize Atlas Plumbing to exceed applicable state water quality standards (Chapter 173-201A WAC), ground water quality standards (Chapter 173-200 WAC) or sediment quality standards (Chapter 173-204 WAC). Furthermore, nothing in this Section 401 Water Quality Certification absolves the Applicant from liability for contamination and any subsequent cleanup of surface waters, ground waters, or sediments resulting from project construction or operations.

In view of the foregoing and in accordance with 33 U.S.C. §1341, RCW 90.48.120, RCW 90.48.260 Chapter 173-200 WAC and Chapter 173-201A WAC, this WQC is granted to the Atlas Plumbing, Atlas Plumbing project.

This Certification is not effective until the U.S. Corps of Engineers (Corps) Seattle District issues a Department of the Army (DA) permit for this project. Order No. **20671** will remain valid for the duration of the associated DA permit. Atlas Plumbing should send a copy of the final DA permit to [fednotification@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:fednotification@ecy.wa.gov) within two weeks of receiving it.

## **YOUR RIGHT TO APPEAL**

You have a right to appeal this Order to the Pollution Control Hearing Board (PCHB) within 30 days of the date of receipt of this Order. The appeal process is governed by Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC. "Date of receipt" is defined in RCW 43.21B.001(2).

To appeal you must do both of the following within 30 days of the date of receipt of this Order:

- File your appeal and a copy of this Order with the PCHB (see addresses below). Filing means actual receipt by the PCHB during regular business hours.
- Serve a copy of your appeal and this Order on Ecology in paper form by mail or in person. (See addresses below.) E-mail is not accepted.

You must also comply with other applicable requirements in Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC.

#### ADDRESS AND LOCATION INFORMATION

Street Addresses	Mailing Addresses
<b>Department of Ecology</b> Attn: Appeals Processing Desk 300 Desmond Drive SE Lacey, WA 98503  <b>Pollution Control Hearings Board</b> 1111 Israel Road SW, Suite 301 Tumwater, WA 98501	<b>Department of Ecology</b> Attn: Appeals Processing Desk PO Box 47608 Olympia, WA 98504-7608  <b>Pollution Control Hearings Board</b> PO Box 40903 Olympia, WA 98504-0903

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

Please direct all questions about this Order to:

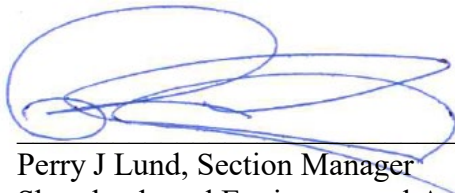
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#### MORE INFORMATION

- **Pollution Control Hearings Board Website**  
<http://www.eluho.wa.gov/Board/PCHB>
- **Chapter 43.21B RCW - Environmental and Land Use Hearings Office – Pollution Control Hearings Board**  
<http://app.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=43.21B>
- **Chapter 371-08 WAC – Practice And Procedure**  
<http://app.leg.wa.gov/WAC/default.aspx?cite=371-08>
- **Chapter 34.05 RCW – Administrative Procedure Act**  
<http://app.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=34.05>
- **Chapter 90.48 RCW – Water Pollution Control**  
<http://app.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=90.48>

- **Chapter 173.204 WAC – Sediment Management Standards**  
<http://apps.leg.wa.gov/WAC/default.aspx?cite=173-204>
- **Chapter 173-200 WAC – Water Quality Standards for Ground Waters of the State of Washington**  
<http://apps.leg.wa.gov/WAC/default.aspx?cite=173-200>
- **Chapter 173-201A WAC – Water Quality Standards for Surface Waters of the State of Washington**  
<http://apps.leg.wa.gov/WAC/default.aspx?cite=173-201A>

**SIGNATURE**



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