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Mr. Steve Fogg
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P.O. Box 5226
Everett, WA 98206

Dear Mr. Fogg:

Enclosed are the two documents we sent to Dave Buse indicating the Site Hazard Ranking of No Further Action by the Department of Ecology. Sometime in the future, there could be other actions or data could reveal that a cleanup is necessary, but at present, we have no intentions of pursuing clean-up activities on site.

If you have any questions, or want the laboratory results of the sampling we did on-site, please call. My phone number is (206) 649-7135.

Sincerely,

Judith M. Aitken
Pre-Remedial Analyst
Toxics Cleanup Program

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WORKSHEET 1
SUMMARY SCORE SHEET

Note: This document currently has no provision for sediment route scoring.

Site Name/Location (City, County, Section/Township/Range):

BUSE TIMBER AND SALES
Everett, Snohomish County

Section 9 of T29N, R5E.

Site Description (Include management areas, compounds of concern, and quantities):
Buse Timber and Sales has operated a saw mill on Smith Island since 1946. They used Pentachlorophenol to treat the lumber until 1986, then changed to "PQ8". Sampling, done in 1986 by consultants for EPA, indicated Pentachlorophenol and Tetrachlorophenol in the soils and sediments at quantities above MTCA Cleanup levels. The site was again sampled at the same points in June 1992 and there was no evidence that either compound or their breakdown compounds were still on the site or in the slough. We did find Pyrene and Bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate, but both were below MTCA Cleanup levels.

Pyrene on site = estimated 1.6 ppm Cleanup level = 2,400 ppm
Bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate on site = estimated 3.9 ppm and 2.7 ppm
Cleanup level = 71.4 ppm.

Special Considerations (Include limitations in site file data or data which cannot be accommodated in the model, but which are important in evaluating the risk associated with the site, or any other factor(s) over-riding a decision of no further action for the site):

Manchester Laboratory indicated that there are high amounts of petroleum products in Union Slough as evidenced the June 1992 sampling. Further study of the slough is merited. There is no evidence that the petroleum came from Buse and there are several other businesses abutting the slough.

ROUTE SCORES: NOT SCORED

Surface Water/Human Health: ND

Surface Water/Environ.: ND

Air/Human Health: ND

Air/Environmental: ND

Ground Water/Human Health: ND

OVERALL RANK: NFA

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