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Mr. John Haakenson
Director of Airports and Operations
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RE: Site Hazard Assessment – Prosser Airport Aircraft Applicators
Ecology Facility/Site ID # 7474148

Dear Mr. Haakenson:

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) will conduct a Site Hazard Assessment (SHA) of the Prosser Airport Aircraft Applicators site located at Nunn Road, Prosser, under the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA), Chapter 173-340-320 Washington Administrative Code (WAC). This site has been on Ecology's Confirmed and Suspected Contaminated Sites List (CSCSL) since 2007. Krystal Rodriguez of the Ecology's Central Regional Office will be the lead for this assessment.

The purpose of an SHA is to gather information on past and present waste management activities, along with other basic site-specific environmental data, in order to score the site following the Washington Ranking Method (WARM) Scoring Manual guidelines. Potential and actual threats to human health and the environment are evaluated for each applicable migration route, with a resultant "hazard ranking" for the site determined.

Sites are ranked on a scale of one (1) to five (5), with 1 representing the highest level of concern, and 5 the lowest, relative to all other assessed/ranked sites in the state. Rated sites are then placed on a state-wide Hazardous Sites List (HSL). If there is little or no relative concern a recommendation of "No Further Action" (NFA) can be made. Your site would then be removed from Ecology's CSCSL.

Ecology will publish a notice in an upcoming issue of the *Site Register* that an SHA is scheduled for this site. The *Site Register*, a semi-monthly publication, provides updated general information about cleanup-related activities. This notice may evoke outside inquiries. The outcome of the SHA, either as a ranked site or a determination of NFA, will also be published in

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the *Site Register*. In addition to any required fieldwork, the following information will be considered in scoring this site:

- Ecology Central Regional Office Site Files

Following review of current Ecology regional office files, the next step in this assessment is to acquire additional site-specific information, if available, from the site owner/operator.

Additional data could include any environmental assessments or laboratory analyses which have been conducted regarding this site, but not previously submitted to Ecology. Every attempt will be made to obtain the most recent and accurate data for scoring your site. If you have better information or comments on the adequacy of the data, please contact Ecology as soon as possible. The final site rank and eventual site priority will be based primarily on the information used in the scoring. Your active participation in the assessment and scoring process is important to ensure that the best information available is used.

An ISIS Site Data Summary sheet and fact sheets describing Site Hazard Assessments, the Washington Ranking Method, and the Hazardous Sites List. If you have any questions, please contact Krystal Rodriguez at (509) 454-7290.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

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