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Frank P. Winslow
Toxics Cleanup Program
Department of Ecology – Central Regional Office
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RE: **Request for Sampling Reduction**
Twice Yearly Groundwater Monitoring Event - November 2021
Ben Franklin Transit, 1000 Columbia Trail, Richland, WA
PBS Project No. 64529.000
Ecology Facility ID: 319
Ecology Cleanup Site: 7012

Dear Mr. Winslow,

PBS Engineering and Environmental Inc. (PBS) is pleased to provide the results of the Twice-Yearly Groundwater Monitoring Event (GME) conducted at the Ben Franklin Transit site (BFT) in November 2021. The sampling scope was conducted in accordance with the Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) recommended twice-yearly sampling in an email dated May 1, 2018, until the diesel range hydrocarbons in monitoring well MW-6 were below the Method A cleanup level.

PBS on behalf of BFT, is requesting an opinion from Ecology on the proposed reduce sample frequency.

Based on the groundwater sample data as presented in the Groundwater Monitoring Event Report (PBS-February 2022), PBS recommends that ground water sampling frequency and analysis be further adjusted to include the following:

1. Continue sampling monitoring wells MW-5 and MW-6 on a semi-annual basis for the following parameters:
 - Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons gasoline range (TPH-Gx)
 - TPH-Dx (Diesel range and motor oil range compounds)
2. Continue sampling monitoring wells MW-13 and MW-14 on a semi-annual basis (May 2022 period) for the following parameters.
 - TPH-Dx (Diesel range and motor oil range compounds)
3. Reduce frequency of sampling in monitoring well MW-8 to an annual basis (May 2022 period) for the following parameters.
 - TPH-Dx (Diesel range and motor oil range compounds)

If you have any questions in the interim, please contact Patrick Brice at 509.942.1600 or patrick.brice@pbsusa.com.

Respectfully,
PBS Engineering and Environmental Inc.

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