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Jean Lee
City of Seattle
Department of Parks and Recreation
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(JeanH.Lee@seattle.gov)

Re: Termination of VCP Agreement for the following Site:

Site Name: Duwamish Waterway Park

• Site Address: 7900 10th Ave S Seattle, 98106

Cleanup Site ID: 15139
Facility/Site ID: 49919
VCP Project No.: NW3279

Dear Jean Lee:

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) is terminating the VCP Agreement governing Project No. NW3279. The project involved the cleanup of the Duwamish Waterway Park (Site). The effective date of termination is the date of this letter. We are providing this notice in accordance with the terms of the Agreement.

Reason

Ecology is terminating the Agreement because since enrollment into VCP, Ecology identified complex and challenging issues, which exist at the Site. Ecology's VCP was created to allow for less-complex Sites to be remediated and receive No Further Action Determinations from Ecology. Ecology has determined the Site no longer fits the criteria to stay enrolled in VCP, and Ecology is taking measures to move the Site into a formal process.

Specifically the following criteria exist or may exist at the Site, which precludes continued acceptance into the VCP process:

- the Site is within the bounds or is potentially impacting the Lower Duwamish Waterway Superfund site (erodible banks, exceedances in surface sediment),
- the Site has known or suspected impacts to surface water or sediment, and
- the Site is known or suspected to include comingling of contamination.

Next Steps

Based on this decision, Ecology may take one or more of the following steps:

- 1. Send you an invoice for any costs remaining on your account. In accordance with the terms of the Agreement, you remain responsible for any costs incurred by us before the effective date of termination.
- 2. Conduct a site hazard assessment (SHA) and rank the Site for further action.
- 3. Identify those persons we find potentially liable for cleanup of the Site.
- 4. Initiate discussions for an agreed order or consent decree that will govern further action at the Site.

Contact Information

Ecology is committed to working with you to accomplish the prompt and effective cleanup of the Site. If you have any questions about this notice, please feel free to contact Bob Warren by phone at (206) 594-0093 or by email bob.warren@ecy.wa.gov. He will be the Ecology contact for this site.

Sincerely,

Kim Wooten

Acting Unit Supervisor, VCP Unit Toxics Cleanup Program, NWRO

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