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December 30, 2022

Ryan Thode, V.P. Operations
Fire Mountain Farms, Inc.
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Re: Burnt Ridge Closure Approval

Dear Ryan Thode:

The Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) approved Emerald Kalama Chemical, LLC (Emerald) and Fire Mountain Farms, Inc.'s (FMF) Final Closure Plan on August 14, 2020. The Final Closure Plan outlined the closure requirements applicable to FMF's Burnt Ridge location.

Emerald and FMF submitted to Ecology the Final Closure Report for the Burnt Ridge location on December 21, 2022. Ecology visited the Burnt Ridge location on December 12, 2022, to inspect the site.

After reviewing the Final Closure Report and inspecting the Burnt Ridge location, Ecology concludes that Emerald and FMF have met the closure requirements of the Final Closure Plan for the Burnt Ridge location. In accordance with the Agreement for Conditional Compliance dated June 3, 2016 (Agreement) among Ecology, Emerald, and FMF, Ecology concludes that Emerald and FMF have met the requirements of Administrative Order No. 10938 dated September 11, 2014, for the Burnt Ridge location.

According to the Agreement Section III.A.4.b.4, should FMF elect to use the Burnt Ridge structure after removal of dangerous waste and decontamination is completed, FMF shall be solely responsible for such subsequent use and Emerald shall have no responsibility for such subsequent use.

In January 2014, Ecology and FMF entered into Agreed Order No. 10448 requiring FMF to develop and implement permit components and operational practices to achieve compliance with agronomic rate requirements. With the requirements of Administrative Order No. 10938 completed for the Burnt Ridge location, Agreed Order No. 10448 is still in effect and Ecology expects FMF to continue to meet the conditions listed in the Agreed Order.

If you have any questions, please contact Peter Lyon at peter.lyon@ecy.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Laurie G. Davies

Solid Waste Management Program Manager