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Re: Comments on Port Parcel 110 and Former Potter Property Work Plan

- **Site Name:** Taylor Way and Alexander Avenue Fill Area (TWAFA)
- **Site Address:** 1500 Block Taylor Way E, Tacoma, Pierce County, WA 98409
- **Agreed Order:** DE 14260
- **Enforcement Order:** DE 19410
- **Facility/Site ID:** 1403183
- **Cleanup Site ID:** 4692

Dear Tasya Gray and Scott Hooton:

Thank you for submitting the work plan (plan) for additional investigation at Port Parcel 110 and the former Potter Property¹ for review by the Department of Ecology (Ecology) in response to our previous comments.² Please revise the plan to incorporate the following comments:

1. Page 6, Parcel 110 soil vapor sampling: Ecology has the following recommendations for soil vapor sampling using the post-run tubing (PRT) methodology:
 - a. The driller shall ensure that the Post-Run Tubing (PRT) tip threads and seat shall be cleaned on a daily basis (or more frequently if needed) and the O-ring shall be changed daily.
 - b. Only rigid wall tubing shall be used. The tubing above the PRT connector shall be thick wall so that sufficient torque is available to screw the tip tightly into the seat.
 - c. The rods shall be pulled back no more than 6 inches above the sampling point.

¹ Maul Foster & Alongi, Inc. (MFA), *Supplemental Investigation Work Plan, Port Parcel 110 and Potter Property, Taylor Way and Alexander Avenue Fill Area*, January 5, 2023.

² Ecology, *Comments on Indoor Air Sampling and Analysis Plan, Former Potter Property*, December 19, 2022; and *Comments on TWAFA reports and request for work plan*, email from Steve Teel, Ecology, to Scott Hooton, Port of Tacoma, November 9, 2022.

implementation of the plan. **Therefore, Ecology agrees that the work described in the plan may be delayed until the data gap discussions have concluded, provided that the implementation of the plan and associated sample collection work is begun by July 10, 2023, and/or when the groundwater depth is sufficiently low to expose the vadose zone (depth to water \geq 5 feet below ground surface). Also, plan data collection activities must be completed before September 30, 2023.**

Please submit a revised SAP for Ecology review and approval within 30 days of the date of this letter.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 360-890-0059 or steve.teel@ecy.wa.gov.

Sincerely,



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