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May 4, 2023

Paul and Bettie Haverluk
HLH Inc. d.b.a. New City Cleaners
c/o James Crane
Landye Bennett & Blumstein
1300 SW 5th Avenue, Suite 3500
Portland, OR 97201

RE: Consent Decree Negotiations for the following site:

- **Site Name:** New City Cleaners
- **Site Address:** 747 Stevens Drive, Richland
- **Facility/Site ID:** 327
- **Cleanup Site ID:** 4894

Dear Paul and Bettie Haverluk:

The Washington State Department of Ecology(Ecology) received a letter dated April 4, 2023, sent by Adam Griffin at Aspect Consulting on behalf of HLH, Inc. c/o Beveridge & Diamond P.C., and Landye Bennett Blumstein, LLP, for the purpose of initiating Consent Decree negotiations for the New City Cleaners Site (Site).¹

Ecology has reviewed the letter and determined that it fulfills the requirements set forth in Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 173-340-520(1)(a).² Ecology accepts the request to enter into negotiations for a Consent Decree to implement a Cleanup Action Plan (CAP) at the Site.

Ecology requests a detailed proposal that includes the following per WAC 173-340-520(1)(g)³:

- (i) *A proposed technical scope of work describing the remedial action to be conducted;*

¹ <https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/cleanupsearch/site/4894>

² <https://app.leg.wa.gov/wac/default.aspx?cite=173-340-520>

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- (ii) *The data, studies, or any other information upon which the settlement proposal is based;*
- (iii) *A statement describing the potentially liable person's ability to conduct or finance the remedial action as described in the proposed scope of work;*
- (iv) *A schedule for proposed negotiations and implementation of the proposed remedial actions; and*
- (v) *Any additional information requested by the department.*

Please submit a detailed proposal within 60 days of receiving this letter. After Ecology receives the detailed proposal, Ecology will finalize a schedule for consent decree negotiations.

Please contact me at 509-907-1353 or Rachel.Caron@ecy.wa.gov if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Rachel Caron
Site Manager
Toxics Cleanup Program
Central Regional Office

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