



October 12, 2023

Tena Seeds
Washington State Department of Ecology
15700 Dayton Avenue North
Shoreline, Washington 98133

**RE: PROGRESS REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2023
BLOCK 38 WEST SITE
500 THROUGH 536 WESTLAKE AVENUE NORTH
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON
AGREED ORDER NO.: DE 17963
FARALLON PN: 397-019**

Dear Tena Seeds:

Farallon Consulting, L.L.C. (Farallon) has prepared this progress report on behalf of City Investors IX L.L.C. (City Investors IX) to provide a written monthly report describing actions taken during the previous month to implement the requirements of the Agreed Order and to document the remedial investigation activities conducted during September 2023 at the Block 38 West Site. The remedial investigation activities are being performed under Agreed Order No. DE 17963 (AO) between the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) and City Investors IX. The Block 38 West Site, as defined under the AO, is where a hazardous substance, other than a consumer product in consumer use, has been deposited, stored, disposed of, or placed, or otherwise come to be located. The Block 38 West Site is generally located at 500 through 536 Westlake Avenue North in Seattle, Washington (Block 38 West Property).

This progress report provides a summary of activities performed during the reporting period, changes in key personnel involved with the work, deviations from the scope of work, deviations from the schedule and resolution, a summary of sampling and testing reports, work planned and deliverables for the next reporting period, and public or regulatory communications.

ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD

No remedial activities were conducted during this reporting period. Future elements of the remedial investigation, which include quarterly groundwater monitoring events, will be performed in accordance with the AO and the Ecology-approved *Remedial Investigation Work Plan, Block 38 West Site, 500 through 536 Westlake Avenue North, Seattle, Washington* dated April 26, 2023, prepared by Farallon (RI Work Plan).



On September 13, 2023, Ecology provided comments on the *Agency Review Draft Interim Action Report, Block 38 West Site, 500 through 536 Westlake Avenue North, Seattle, Washington* dated August 13, 2021, prepared by Farallon; and *Agency Review Draft Interim Action Report, Alley Area of Block 38 West Site between Republican Street and Mercer Street, 500 through 536 Westlake Avenue North, Seattle, Washington* dated August 17, 2022, prepared by Farallon. City Investors IX and Farallon began revisions to the Final Interim Action reports, based on Ecology's comments.

CHANGES IN KEY PERSONNEL

There are no deviations to report for the work related to the requirements of the AO.

DEVIATIONS FROM INTERIM ACTION WORK PLAN OR APPROVED SCOPE OF WORK

There are no deviations to report for the work related to the requirements of the AO.

DEVIATIONS FROM SCHEDULE AND RESOLUTIONS

Currently, no delays are anticipated to the AO schedule.

SAMPLING PERFORMED, RESULTS, DATA VALIDATION, AND ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION MANAGEMENT DATABASE

Activities conducted during this reporting period related to data collection, validation, and management include collection of groundwater samples, tabulation of draft groundwater laboratory analytical results, and preparation of groundwater contour maps for each water-bearing zone for Ecology's review.

WORK PLANNED FOR NEXT REPORTING PERIOD

Work planned for the October 2023 reporting period includes preparing and submitting a draft data package to Ecology for its review and to support a pre-Remedial Investigation Report coordination meeting with Ecology in October 2023.

City Investors IX and Farallon will review and address Ecology's comments on the two draft *Interim Action Reports* for the Block 38 West Site. As necessary, a meeting will be coordinated with Ecology to discuss any questions or clarifications on Ecology's comments.

PUBLIC OR REGULATORY COMMUNICATIONS

City Investors IX has not participated in any meetings with interested members of the public or local governments, nor has it had any formal communications with Ecology personnel during this reporting period (i.e., other than ongoing coordination and discussions with Ecology regarding the remedial investigation).



Please contact the undersigned at (425) 295-0800 if you have questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Farallon Consulting, L.L.C.

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