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Eastern Region Office

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December 12, 2023

Travis Trent
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Re: Termination of VCP Agreement for the following Site:

• Site Name: Whitten Oil 1

• Site Address: 370 West 5th Avenue, Colville

Cleanup Site ID: 9440
Facility/Site ID: 49354234
VCP Project ID: EA0340

Dear Travis Trent:

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) is terminating the VCP Agreement governing Project No. EA0340. The project involved the cleanup of the Whitten Oil 1 facility (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 in response to the letter from Gordon Thomas Honeywell dated November 28, 2023 indicating the further remedial actions required by Ecology are outside the scope of the current VCP project.

Next Steps

Based on this decision, Ecology will take 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. Identify those persons we find potentially liable for cleanup of the Site.

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3. Initiate discussions for an agreed order or consent decree that will govern further action at the Site. This may include an enforcement order to address the immediate concerns detailed in Ecology's November 20, 2023 Further Action letter.

Contact Information

If you have any questions about this notice, please contact me at (509) 342-5564 or ted.uecker@ecy.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Ted M. Uecker VCP Coordinator

Toxics Cleanup Program, Eastern Region Office

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