



## STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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December 20, 2023

Matt Graves, LG Environmental Manager Port of Vancouver USA 3103 NW Lower River Road Vancouver, WA 98660

## Re: Terminal 4 Pond Interim Action / Engineering Design Report

• Site Name: Vancouver Port of NuStar Cadet Swan

• Site Address: 2565 NW Harborside Dr Vancouver, 98660 Clark County

Facility/Site No: 1026Cleanup Site: 3450

## Dear Matt Graves:

An Amendment to the Agreed Order No. DE 18152 (AO) requires the Port of Vancouver (Port) to complete an interim action (IA) to remove and disposal of stormwater pond solids impacted by the site contaminants. The Department of Ecology (Ecology) held a public comment period focusing on the IA from June 15 to July 17, 2023. The IA construction was anticipated to complete by September of 2023, as scheduled in the Interim Action Work Plan.<sup>1</sup>

On September 5, 2023, Ecology received an email notice from Richard Roche, on behalf of the Port, notifying Ecology that the Port was not able to complete the IA as thunderstorms filled the stormwater pond not allowing the solids to dry.<sup>2</sup> Ecology received your December 7, 2023, request for postponing the completion of the IA work until October 31, 2024.

Ecology will grant this requested change of schedule. Ecology anticipates the IA construction to start in early summer of 2024, so it is less likely to be impacted by weather.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Parametrix, Interim Action Work Plan Terminal 4 Stormwater Treatment Pond, June 2023.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Richard Roche, Parametrix, RE: T-4 Stormwater EDR – DELAYED. Email to Sam Meng, Ecology, September 5, 2023.

Thank you for your efforts to keep this cleanup project moving forward. Please contact me at (360) 999-9587 or <a href="mailto:sam.meng@ecy.wa.gov">sam.meng@ecy.wa.gov</a> with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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