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Hi Carson. Thank you for sending this over to me. I think that from this point on, you should likely be dealing with Donna Musa (or whomever she refers this to) in our Toxics Cleanup Program. This is going to be a soil cleanup for Ecology's purposes and TCP is in charge those.

Thanks again.

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Hi Andy,

Please see below summary of the initial assessment completed on June 28, 2022 by GHD at the trucking incident (Incident) at 26184 State Route 20 in Coupeville, Washington (Site) (Department of Ecology File #715671). Photographs of the Site are provided in Attachment 1.

GHD understands that on the morning of June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022, a truck carrying paper products was travelling northbound on State Route 20 when it failed to navigate a curve and collided with a building on the east side of the roadway, resulting in a fire and damage to the building.

**Summary of Site Assessment:**

- GHD conducted a Site walkthrough and observed the following:
  - The truck that collided with the building had been removed from the Site.
  - A temporary fence had been erected around the damaged portion of the building and debris resulting from the collision. Given that this area was inaccessible, no observations were collected from within the fenced-off area.

An absorbent boom was present just outside the temporary fence, adjacent to the grass on the south east edge of the parking area. Several used absorbent pads with suspected hydrocarbon impacts were also present on the ground surface.

- The guard rail adjacent to the Site on the south east edge of State Route 20 was damaged.
- Suspected hydrocarbon staining was visible on asphalt in the southern portion of the parking area of the Site and on the southern portion of Penn Cove Road. The Site generally slopes downward toward these areas, and as such this staining is suspected to be related to the Incident.
- No surface water bodies or storm water drains were observed at or immediately adjacent to the suspected impacted area of the Site. The closest surface water body is Penn Cove, which is located approximately 30 meters southeast of the suspected impacted area at the Site.
- GHD conducted preliminary soil screening using a photoionization detector (PID) for total volatile organic compounds (VOCs). Moderate levels of VOCs were observed in the ditch just south of the parking area at the Site. Negligible VOC readings were observed in the grass area adjacent to the staining on the south side of Penn Cove Road.

**Next Steps:**

- Pending approval from the property owner, GHD will return to the Site to collect investigative soil samples and/or conduct remedial excavation activities in the area outside the temporary fencing.

Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

**Carson Fick, E.I.T.**

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