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## Re: Satisfaction of Agreed Order No. DE 15776 for the following Site:

• Site Name: RG Haley International

• Site Address: 500 Cornwall Avenue, Bellingham, WA

Facility Site ID: 2870Cleanup Site ID: 3928

#### Dear Craig Mueller:

Thank you for working with the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) on the RG Haley International site (Site). This letter provides written notification that the remedial actions required at the Site by Agreed Order No. DE 15776 (Order) under the Model Toxics Control Act, Chapter 70A.305 RCW, have been satisfactorily completed. The Order became effective on April 1, 2018. This letter also describes the next steps for the Site.

#### **Completion of Remedial Actions Required by the Order**

Ecology has determined that the City of Bellingham (City) has satisfactorily completed the work to be performed requirements of the Order for the Site. Ecology makes this determination pursuant to Section IX (Satisfaction of Order) of the Order.

Section VII (Work to Be Performed) of the Order required the City to prepare draft and final Pre-Remedial Design Investigation Project Plans, a draft and final Engineering Design Report, 60%, 90% and 100% complete Construction Plans and Specifications (Plans and Specs) for Ecology review, and submit written quarterly progress reports during the performance of the Order. After reviewing the supporting documentation, Ecology has determined that other than the requirement to prepare 100% complete Plans and Specs, the remedial actions in the Order's Section VII have been satisfactorily completed. Preparation and submission of 100% complete Plans and Specs are requirements of the May 7, 2024, Consent Decree for the Site (Whatcom County Superior Court No. 24-2-00752-37).

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# **Next Steps at the Site**

Now that the Consent Decree is in effect, the City and the Port of Bellingham must undertake the actions set forth in the Consent Decree's "Work to be Performed" section for implementation of Ecology's selected cleanup action for the Site.

#### **Contact Information**

Thank you for your efforts toward cleaning up this Site. Should you have any questions, please contact Ecology's project coordinator, Lucy McInerney, by phone at (425) 410-1400 or by email at lucy.mcinerney@ecy.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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