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**Subject: Progress Report for October 2023, Warden City Water Supply Wells No. 4 and 5.
Washington Facility Site ID No. 2802409; Cleanup Site ID: 1618
Agreed Order No. DE 16890**

Dear Christer:

The J.R. Simplot Company (Simplot) entered into an Agreed Order (AO) (No. DE 16890) with the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) to provide remedial action at 1800 W. 1st Street, Warden WA, 98857.

Per the AO, Simplot shall submit to Ecology written monthly progress reports that describe the actions taken during the previous month to implement the requirements of the AO.

The AO requires that the progress reports include the following:

- a. A list of on-site activities that have taken place during the previous month;
- b. Detailed description of any deviations from required tasks not otherwise documented in project plans or amendment requests;
- c. Description of all deviations from the scope of work and schedule during the previous quarter and any planned deviations in the upcoming quarter;
- d. For any deviations in schedule, a plan for recovering lost time and maintaining compliance with the schedule;
- e. All raw data (including laboratory analyses) received by Simplot during the past quarter and an identification of the source of the sample; and
- f. A list of deliverables for the upcoming month if different from the schedule.

Activities in October 2023

- Ecology provided comments on the Monitoring Well Installation Report October 2.
- Simplot, HDR, and Ecology met in a virtual meeting on October 6, 2023. Topics included scheduling fall groundwater sampling, the Minor Change request to reduce Progress Report submittal frequency from monthly to quarterly, submittal of the revised *Monitoring Well Installation Report*, and the options to address the EDB-impacted soil that remains in place at the site.
- Simplot/HDR submitted Revised Monitoring Well Installation Report October 13. Ecology subsequently granted approval to commence compliance monitoring.
- Simplot/HDR began to explore project data formatting to facilitate upload to Ecology's EIM database.

Anticipated Activities for November 2023

- HDR will conduct Fall 2023 groundwater sampling event early November 2023 (completed between November 6-9).
- Simplot/HDR will coordinate project data formatting to facilitate upload to Ecology's EIM database.
- Ecology will provide a formal concurrence letter on the Revised Groundwater Monitoring Well Installation Report (per Ecology email dated 24 October 2023).
- Ecology will provide written approval of the minor change request (reducing progress reporting frequency as discussed in October 6 meeting).

If you have questions please feel free to contact me at (208) 387-7018 or at tyler.allen@hdrinc.com or Molly Dimick of Simplot at (208) 220-6597 or at molly.dimick@simplot.com.

Respectfully,
HDR Engineering, Inc.



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