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March 30, 2023

Kevin Poole City of Clarkston Public Works 830 Fifth Street Clarkston, Washington 99403

Re: Request to Address Residual Contamination at the following Site:

- Site Name: City of Clarkston Street Shop
- Site Address: 1455 Bridge Street Clarkston, Washington 99403
- County Assessor Parcel Number: 60042102000010000
- Facility Site ID: 41379712
- Cleanup Site ID: 9040
- Underground Storage Tank (UST) ID: 100255

Dear Kevin Poole:

On July 13, 1992 Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) was notified of a suspected release of petroleum product from a UST system located at 1455 Bridge Street in Clarkston, Washington (Site). As a result, the Site was added to Ecology's Confirmed or Suspected Contaminated Sites List (CSCL) as an active Leaking Underground Storage Tank (LUST) Site and is awaiting further characterization and potential cleanup before a determination of No Further Action (NFA) can be granted.

Notice of Intent to Perform Site Characterization Activities

Ecology has recently received funding to provide additional site characterization to assist a limited number of LUST sites. The intent of these proposed activities is to further characterize previously identified petroleum impacts at LUST sites with insufficient data to provide a NFA determination from Ecology. As a result, the City of Clarkston Site was selected to receive a portion of these funds. Kevin Poole March 30, 2023 Page 2 of 4

Ecology will work with local consultants to perform the characterization activities described below in the next few months and would like to discuss these events with you. Ecology will procure, coordinate, and manage the contractors performing this work as well as any associated funding.

Although the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) requires potential liable persons to assume responsibility for the cleanup of contaminated sites, the limited site characterization work proposed herein will be funded by Ecology and you will not incur costs associated with these activities. Ecology however, may require additional characterization or cleanup, at your cost, if you chose to forego these activities or if residual contamination is discovered in excess of the appropriate MTCA cleanup levels during these activities.

If no contamination is found at your Site, or if residual contamination is discovered below the appropriate MTCA cleanup levels, a NFA determination may be issued for the Site by Ecology. However, if residual contamination exceeding the applicable MTCA cleanup levels is identified during the characterization process, your property will remain on Ecology's <u>CSCL</u>.¹ Sites remaining on Ecology's CSCL are encouraged to enroll in the department's Voluntary Cleanup Program, which is designed to provide fee-based technical assistance in an effort to facilitate and accelerate the site cleanup and closure processes. If you would like additional information regarding this program, please visit the VCP program website at <u>https://ecology.wa.gov/Spills-Cleanup/Contaminationcleanup/Voluntary-Cleanup-Program</u> or contact the Eastern Regional Office VCP Coordinator, Ted Uecker, by email at <u>tuec461@ecy.wa.gov</u> or by phone at (509) 342-5564.

Proposed Characterization Activities

To further characterize the current nature and extent of previously identified petroleum hydrocarbon impacts at the subject Site, seven small-diameter, direct-push borings are proposed to be advanced to approximately 30 feet below ground surface in the vicinity of the former USTs (Enclosure B - Scope of Work). Samples of soil and groundwater will be collected at each location and analyzed for petroleum hydrocarbon constituents. To minimize operations impacts at the subject Site during characterization activities, a truck mounted, direct-push drill rig will be used to advance the borings. If groundwater contamination is encountered downgradient of the former USTs during field activities, up to three monitoring wells may be installed at soil boring locations.

¹ https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/cleanupsearch/site/9040

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According to site records, one monitoring well was installed in 1993. If accessible, the groundwater monitoring well will be purged and water quality data monitored until indicator parameters such as pH, dissolved oxygen, specific conductance, and redox potential have reached stabilization. A groundwater sample will be collected from the well and analyzed for petroleum hydrocarbon constituents gasoline range total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH-G) by method NWTPH-GX; diesel range total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH-D) by analytical method NWTPH-Dx; benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and xylenes, Ethylene dibromide (EDB), Ethylene dichloride (EDC), and Methyl tert-butyl ether (MTBE) by EPA method 8260D; and lead by EPA method 6010D.

Prior to commencing the above activities, the contractor performing the work will coordinate these activities with you and contact a utility survey to assure each proposed boring location is free of subsurface utilities. Following advancement and sampling, boring locations will be routed and sealed in an effort to match both surface grade and material as close to original conditions as possible. Waste will be securely stored on-Site, pending characterization and disposal.

A scope of work describing specific details of the proposed further characterization activities is included in this transmittal for your records.

Access Agreement and Scheduling

A Property Access Agreement is included with this transmittal (Enclosure A - Access Agreement). Please complete, sign and return the original copy of this form to the address indicated at the bottom of that document. Once the executed form is received by Ecology, you will be contacted regarding scheduling both the pre-field utility clearance visit and site characterization work, as described in the attached Scope of Work.

Contact Information

If you have any questions regarding this letter or if you would like additional information regarding the cleanup of contaminated sites, please contact me at (509) 385-5443 or beth.kercher@ecy.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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Elizabeth Kercher LUST Project Manager ERO Toxics Cleanup Program

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- Enclosures (2): A Access Agreement B - Scope of Work
- By certified mail: 9214 8901 9403 8309 1063 37
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