

STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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September 30, 2024

Stephen Lang, Refinery Manager HF Sinclair Puget Sound Refinery LLC P.O. Box 622 Anacortes, WA 98221

Re: Final Determination of Liability for Release of Hazardous Substances at the following Contaminated Site:

- Site Name: HollyFrontier Puget Sound Refinery
- Site Address: 8505 South Texas Road, Anacortes, WA 98221 and 9935 March's Point Road, Anacortes, WA 98221
- Cleanup Site ID: 2865
- Facility/Site ID: 7
- County Assessor's Parcel Number: P33502, P33022

Dear Stephen Lang:

On August 14, 2024, the Department of Ecology (Ecology) sent you written notice of our preliminary determination that finds HF Sinclair Puget Sound Refinery LLC (HF Sinclair) is a potentially liable person (PLP) for a release of hazardous substances at the facility (Site). On September 9, 2024, Ecology received your written notice accepting your status as a PLP for the Site and waiving your opportunity to comment.

Based on available information, Ecology finds that credible evidence exists that HF Sinclair is liable for a release of hazardous substances at the Site. On the basis of this finding, Ecology has determined that HF Sinclair is a PLP with regard to the Site.

The purpose of the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) is to identify, investigate, and cleanup facilities where hazardous substances have been released. Liability for environmental contamination under MTCA is strict, joint and several (RCW 70.105D.040(2)). Ecology ensures that contaminated sites are investigated and cleaned up to the standards set forth in the MTCA statue and regulations. Ecology has determined that it is in the public interest for remedial actions to take place at this Site. Ecology will contact you regarding the actions necessary for the HF Sinclair to bring about the prompt and thorough cleanup of hazardous substances at this Site. Failure to cooperate with Ecology or comply with MTCA in this matter will result in Ecology employing enforcement tools as it deems necessary and appropriate. This includes, but is not limited to, the issuance of an administrative order. Failure to comply with such an order may

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result in a fine of up to \$25,000 per day and liability for up to three times the costs incurred by the state (RCW 70.105D.050(1)).

Your rights and responsibilities as a PLP are outlined in Chapter 70.105D RCW, and Chapters 173-340 and 173-204 WAC. Ecology's cleanup project manager for the Site, Lyddie Austin, will contact you with information about how Ecology intends to proceed with the cleanup.

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact Lyddie Austin at (564)233-8039 or lyddie.austin@ecy.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

James DeMay, P.E. Industrial Section Manager Solid Waste Management Program

By certified mail: 9489 0090 0027 6381 5455 70

cc: Aaron Vahid, HF Sinclair Puget Sound Refinery LLC Jim Schneider, HF Sinclair Puget Sound Refinery LLC Ivy Anderson, Office of the Attorney General Dan Lawler, Office of the Attorney General Ecology Site File