DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

Central Region Office

1250 West Alder St., Union Gap, WA 98903-0009 • 509-575-2490

September 9, 2024

Brice Baxter B & M Rentals 2521 River Road Yakima, WA 98902

Re: Application acceptance – Voluntary Cleanup Program

• Site name: Orchard Rite

• Site address: 1702 Englewood Avenue, Yakima

Facility/Site ID: 57471125
Cleanup Site ID: 9773
VCP Project No.: CE0563

Dear Brice Baxter:

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) has accepted your application to the Standard process of the Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP) for the Orchard Rite facility (Site). We applied your initiative and welcome your interest in the VCP. This letter has important information on how we'll review your VCP cleanup project (project) at the Site.

Agreement

We completed and signed your Standard VCP agreement for the project on August 28, 2024. This date is the effective date of the agreement. A copy of your signed agreement is enclosed.

Identification numbers

We have assigned a unique name and number to your Site. This information is listed on the first page of your Standard VCP agreement (enclosed). When contacting us, please reference this information to identify your project.

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Communications

Unless otherwise requested, we'll communicate directly with your project manager, Brice Baxter, as listed on your VCP application form. If you replace your project manager or their contact information changes, please submit a completed change of contact form.¹

We have assigned the following site manager as our point of contact for your project:

Tavi Wise
Toxics Cleanup Program
Central Regional Office
Department of Ecology
1250 West Alder Street
Union Gap, WA 98903
509-406-6959
Tavi.Wise@ecy.wa.gov

Request for written opinion

In your application, you requested a written opinion on the sufficiency of your Planned Phase II Site Investigation. We'll review your submitted document and expect to provide a written response within approximately 90 calendar days.

Reporting requirements

When requesting written opinions, you must comply with the following reporting requirements to avoid unnecessary delays in the VCP process:

- **Licensing.** You must submit documents containing geologic and hydrogeologic work, and engineering work, under the seal of an appropriately licensed professional, as required in chapters 18.220² and 18.43³ RCW, respectively.
- **Data submittal**. You must submit environmental data to our Environmental Information Management (EIM) system.⁴ The Toxics Cleanup Program Policy 840⁵ describes data submittal requirements. Please visit the EIM Help Center⁶ for data submittal instructions and more information.

¹ http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/vcp/vcpmain.htm

² https://apps.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=18.220

³ https://apps.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=18.43

⁴ https://ecology.wa.gov/eim

⁵ https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/publications/SummaryPages/1609050.html

⁶ https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/eim/help/

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Payment

We'll send monthly invoices to the billing contact listed in your VCP application form. Payment is due within 30 calendar days from the date of each invoice. Our invoices include a summary of costs incurred, payments received, names of staff billing to the project, and the time spent on the project during the previous month.

If you replace your billing contact or their contact information changes, you must submit a completed change of contact form.⁷

Contact information

We are committed to working with you to reach the prompt and effective Site cleanup. If you have any questions, please contact Tavi Wise at vcp-cro@ecy.wa.gov, or call at 509-406-6959.

Sincerely,

Tavi Wise

VCP Coordinator

Toxics Cleanup Program

Central Regional Office

Enclosure: Copy of signed VCP Agreement

cc: Yancy Meyer, Blue Mountain Environmental and Consulting Co., Inc.

⁷ https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/publications/SummaryPages/ECY070218.html

Enclosure

Copy of Signed Standard VCP Agreement