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Ms. Patricia E. Thompson DAVIS, WRIGHT & TREMAINE LLP 1800 Bellevue Place 10500 NE Eighth St. Bellevue, WA 98004-4300

RE: Arnolds Consent Decree

Dear Mr. Myers & Ms. Thompson:

Please find enclosed conformed copies of the consent decree documents that were filed with the King County Superior Court.

Very truly yours,

SHARON NELSON

Legal Assistant to ANDREW A. FITZ

Assistant Attorney General

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Enclosures

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Brian Sato

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Andrew A. Fitz

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King County Superior Court 516 Third Ave., Room E-609 Seattle, WA 98104-2386 INSTRUCTIONS TO VENDOR OR CLAIMANT: Submit this form to claim payment for materials, merchandise, or services. Show complete detail for each ite

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9	STATE OF WASHINGTON, DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY,	NO.
10	Plaintiff,	SUMMONS
11	v.	
12	ESTATE OF WILLIAM F. ARNOLD;	
13	and ESTATE OF ERMA R. ARNOLD,	
14	Defendants.	
15	TO: The Estate of William F. Arno	ld and the Estate of Erma R. Arnold;
16	AND TO: The Clerk of the above-entitled	•
17		you in the above-entitled court by the State of
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19	Washington, Department of Ecology, Plaintiff. Plaintiff's claim is stated in the written	
20	complaint, a copy of which is served upon you with this Summons. The parties have agreed to resolve this matter by entry of a Consent Decree.	
21	Accordingly, this Summons shall not require	
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1	Respectfully submitted this <u>(0)</u> day of December, 2001.
2	CHRISTINE O. GREGOIRE
3	Attorney General
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5 6	ANDREW A. FITZ, WSBA #22169 Assistant Attorney General Attorneys for Plaintiff State of Washington Department of Ecology (360) 586-6752
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9	STATE OF WASHINGTON, DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY,	NO.
10	Plaintiff,	COMPLAINT
11	V.	
12	ESTATE OF WILLIAM F. ARNOLD; and	
13	ESTATE OF ERMA R. ARNOLD,	
14	Defendants.	
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16	I. JURIS	SDICTION
17	1.1 This court has jurisdiction over the parties and over the subject matter under the	
18	Model Toxics Control Act, chapter 70.105D RCW.	
19	II. PARTIES	
20	2.1 Plaintiff State of Washington	Department of Ecology (Ecology) is a state
21	agency charged with the implementation of the Model Toxics Control Act.	
22	2.2 Defendants are the Estate of William F. Arnold and the Estate of Erma R	
23	Arnold. Defendants have agreed to enter into a Consent Decree with Ecology under the Mode	
24	Toxics Control Act for reimbursement of certain past remedial action costs expended by	
25	Ecology related to the site.	

III. FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- 3.1 Site refers to the Manhattan Express Deli (formerly Arnolds Mini-Mart), located at 631 Queen Anne Avenue North, Seattle, Washington. The Site is more particularly described in Exhibit A, a detailed site diagram, to this Decree that is being submitted to settle this action.
- 3.2 Ecology has determined that there has been a release or threatened release of hazardous substances at the Site. Ecology has further determined that this release or threatened release requires remedial action to protect human health, welfare, and the environment; and that the Defendants are potentially liable persons with respect to this Site.
- 3.3 Ecology and Defendants have entered into a Consent Decree regarding certain past remedial action costs incurred by Ecology related to the Site.
- 3.4 The Consent Decree has been the subject of public notice and comment under RCW 70.105D.040(4)(a). The Consent Decree is being submitted to the court along with this Complaint.

Ecology has determined that entry of the Consent Decree will lead to a more expeditious cleanup of the Site.

IV. CAUSE OF ACTION

- 4.1 Plaintiff realleges all preceding paragraphs.
- 4.2 Plaintiff alleges that the Defendants are responsible for past remedial action costs incurred at the Site pursuant to the MTCA, RCW 70.105D.050(3).

V. PRAYER FOR RELIEF

5.1 Ecology and the Estate of William F. Arnold and the Estate of Erma R. Arnold request that the court sign and enter the Consent Decree in this matter.

1	5.2 Ecology and the Estate of William F. Arnold and the Estate of Erma R. Arnold
2	further request that the court retains jurisdiction to enforce the terms of the Consent Decree.
3	Respectfully submitted thisday of December, 2001.
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8	Assistant Attorney General Attorneys for Plaintiff
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7		WASHINGTON SUPERIOR COURT
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9	STATE OF WASHINGTON, DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY,	NO.
10	Plaintiff,	MOTION FOR ENTRY OF CONSENT
11	v.	DECREE AND MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF MOTION
12	ESTATE OF WILLIAM F. ARNOLD;	
13	and ESTATE OF ERMA R. ARNOLD,	
14	Defendants.	
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16	I. INTRODUCTION	
17	Plaintiff, Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology), represented by	
18	Christine O. Gregoire, Attorney General, and Andrew A. Fitz, Assistant Attorney General	
19	brings this motion seeking entry of the attached Consent Decree. This motion is based upon	
20	the pleadings filed in this matter, including the Declaration of Andrew A. Fitz.	
21	II. RELIEF REQUESTED	
22	Ecology requests that the Court approve and enter the attached Consent Decree that	
23	requires payment of certain past remedial action costs at the Manhattan Express Deli (formerly	
24	Arnolds Mini-Mart), a site where there has b	een a release of hazardous substances. Ecology
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1	also requests that the Court retain jurisdiction over this action until the action required by the	
2	Consent Decree is completed and the parties request a dismissal of this action.	
3	III. AUTHORITY	
4	RCW 70.105D.030 authorizes Ecology to issue such orders as may be necessary to	
5	effectuate the purposes of the Model Toxics Control Act, chapter 70.105D RCW, and to enter	
6	into consent decrees through judicial proceedings. In addition, RCW 70.105D.040(4)	
7	authorizes the Attorney General to agree to a settlement with a potentially liable person and to	
8	request that the settlement be entered as a consent decree in the superior court of the county	
9	where a violation is alleged to have occurred.	
10	IV. CONCLUSION	
11	Ecology believes it is appropriate for the Court to exercise its judicial discretion and	
12	approve the attached Consent Decree, and hereby requests that the Court enter the attached	
13	Order.	
14	DATED this _/O+day of December, 2001.	
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16	CHRISTINE O. GREGOIRE Attorney General	
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18	ANDREW A. FITZ, WSBA #22169	
19	Assistant Attorney General Attorneys for Plaintiff	
20	State of Washington Department of Ecology	
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1	4. The Consent Decree was the subject of public notice and public comment as
2	required by RCW 70.105D.040(4)(a).
3	5. Ecology has determined that the proposed remedial action will lead to a more
4	expeditious cleanup of hazardous substances in compliance with cleanup standards under
5	RCW 70.105D.030(2)(e).
6	I declare under penalty of perjury of the laws of the state of Washington that the
7	foregoing is true and correct.
8	DATED this/O +h day of December, 2001, in Olympia, Washington.
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10	AND DENVIA FINE
11	ANDREW A. FITZ
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7	IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF IN AND FOR	OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON R KING COUNTY
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9	STATE OF WASHINGTON, DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY,	NO.
10	Plaintiff,	ORDER ENTERING CONSENT
11	v.	DECREE
12	ESTATE OF WILLIAM F. ARNOLD;	
13	and ESTATE OF ERMA R. ARNOLD,	
14	Defendants.	
15	Having reviewed the Consent D	
16		e signed by the parties to this matter, the Motion
17	for Entry of the Consent Decree, the Declaration of Andrew A. Fitz, and the file herein, it is	
18	hereby	
19	ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Consent Decree in this matter is entered and	
20	that the Court shall retain jurisdiction over the Consent Decree to enforce its terms.	
21	DATED this // day of December, 2001.	
22		and the second s
23		JUDGE
24		King County Superior Court
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1	Presented by:
2	CHRISTINE O. GREGOIRE Attorney General
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STATE OF WASHINGTON KING COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

STATE OF WASHINGTON, DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY,

Plaintiff,

v.

ESTATE OF WILLIAM F. ARNOLD; and ESTATE OF ERMA R. ARNOLD,

Defendants.

NO.

CONSENT DECREE RESOLVING ECOLOGY'S PAST COSTS CLAIM AGAINST ARNOLDS

I. INTRODUCTION

A. In entering into this Consent Decree (Decree), the mutual objective of the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology), and the Estate of William F. Arnold and the Estate of Erma R. Arnold (hereafter Arnolds or Defendants) is to settle Ecology's claim against the Arnolds for all Costs it incurred through September 28, 1999, relating to the release or threatened release of hazardous substances at or near the Manhattan Express Deli (formerly Arnold's Mini-Mart) located at 631 Queen Anne Avenue North, Seattle, Washington (the Site). Ecology has determined that these actions are necessary as part of the process to remediate the release or threatened release of hazardous substances at or near the Site and to protect public health and the environment.

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- B. The Complaint in this action is being filed simultaneously with this Decree. An answer has not been filed, and there has not been a trial on any issue of fact or law in this case. However, the parties wish to resolve the issues raised by Ecology's Complaint. In addition, the parties agree that settlement of these matters without litigation is reasonable and in the public interest and that entry of this Decree is the most appropriate means of resolving these matters.
- C. In signing this Decree, Defendants agree to its entry and agree to be bound by its terms.
- D. By entering into this Decree, and except as provided below, the Parties do not intend to discharge nonsettling parties from any liability they may have with respect to matters alleged in the Complaint. The Parties retain the right to seek reimbursement, in whole or in part, from any liable persons for sums expended under this Decree. Furthermore, Ecology does not intend to waive its right to seek reimbursement for Costs incurred after September 28, 1999, or to order the Arnolds to perform a remedial action at the Site.
- E. This Decree shall not be construed as proof of liability or responsibility for any releases of hazardous substances or cost for remedial action nor an admission of any facts; provided, however, that the Defendants shall not challenge the jurisdiction of Ecology in any proceeding to enforce this Decree.
- F. The Court is fully advised of the reasons for entry of this Decree, and good cause having been shown:

Now, Therefore, it is HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED as follows:

II. JURISDICTION

A. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter and over the parties pursuant to Chapter 70.105D RCW, the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA).

- B. Authority is conferred upon the Washington State Attorney General by RCW 70.105D.040(4)(a) to agree to a settlement with any potentially liable person if, after public notice and hearing, Ecology finds the proposed settlement would lead to a more expeditious cleanup of hazardous substances. RCW 70.105D.040(4)(b) requires that such a settlement be entered as a consent decree issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- C. Ecology has determined that a release or threatened release of hazardous substances has occurred at or near the Site which is the subject of this Decree.
- D. Ecology has given notice to Defendants, as set forth in RCW 70.105D.020(15), of Ecology's determination that the Defendants are potentially liable persons for the site and that there has been a release or threatened release of hazardous substances at the site.
 - E. Defendants consent to the entry of this Decree under the MTCA.

III. SETTLEMENT AND PARTIES BOUND

Within thirty (30) days after the effective date of this Decree, Defendants shall pay Ecology One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) to completely settle Ecology's claim against Defendants for Ecology's costs and expenses incurred before September 28, 1999. Upon receipt of this payment, Ecology shall release its creditor's claim filed against the Estate of Erma R. Arnold under Cause No. 96-4-04704-7 and Ecology shall assert no claim against the Estate of William F. Arnold for Costs settled in this Decree. This Decree shall apply to and be binding upon the signatories to this Decree (parties), their successors and assigns. The undersigned representative of each Party hereby certifies that he or she is fully authorized to enter into this Decree and to execute and legally bind such Party to comply with the Decree. Defendants agree to undertake all actions required by the terms and conditions of this Decree and not to contest state jurisdiction regarding this Decree.

IV. <u>DEFINITIONS</u>

Except for as specified herein, all definitions in WAC 173-340-200 apply to the terms in this Decree.

- A. <u>Site</u>: Refers to the Manhattan Express Deli (formerly Arnolds Mini-Mart), located at 631 Queen Anne Avenue North, Seattle, Washington. The Site is more particularly described in Exhibit A to this Decree, which is a detailed site diagram. For the purposes of remedial investigation and cleanup action under MTCA, the Site includes the location defined above and all areas where hazardous substances released from that location have come to be located.
- B. <u>Parties</u>: Refers to the Washington State Department of Ecology, the Estate of William F. Arnold, and the Estate of Erma R. Arnold.
- C. <u>Defendants</u>: Refers to William F. Arnold (deceased), the Estate of William F. Arnold, Erma R. Arnold (deceased), and the Estate of Erma R. Arnold.
- D. <u>Consent Decree or Decree</u>: Refers to this Consent Decree and each exhibit to the Decree. All exhibits are integral and enforceable parts of this Consent Decree. The terms "Consent Decree" or "Decree" shall include any exhibits to the Consent Decree.
- E. <u>Costs</u>: Refers to costs and/or expenses incurred by Ecology associated with staff oversight, travel, laboratory services, contractors, consultants, attorneys, and other administrative matters or expenses relating to the Site and remedial actions conducted at or near the Site.
- F. <u>Yoos</u>: Refers to the Estate of John Yoo and his widow, Young Hee Yoo, who are successors to the Arnolds. The Yoos purchased the Site from the Arnolds in 1989 but then rescinded the transaction *ab initio* in 1993. This settlement between Ecology and the Arnolds

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expressly includes settlement of liability the Yoos may have to Ecology, if any, relating to Costs incurred by Ecology prior to September 28, 1999.

V. STATEMENT OF FACTS

Ecology makes the following findings of fact without any express or implied admissions by Defendants.

- A. William F. Arnold and Erma R. Arnold were the owners of the Manhattan Express Deli (formerly Arnold's Mini-Mart) located at 631 Queen Anne Avenue North, Seattle, Washington. Credible evidence exists indicating that a hazardous substance (petroleum product) was released at the Site. Petroleum hydrocarbons presently exist in the soil, soil-gas, dissolved in ground water, and as free-phase product floating on the ground water.
- В. On or about April 26, 1977, the Arnolds purchased the Site from Texaco, Inc. Texaco, formerly the Texas Company, owned and operated the Site as a gas station since 1927. The Arnolds assumed operation of Texaco's gas station at the Site in May 1977. In February 1978, the basement of the neighboring Monterey apartment building was noted to have gasoline odors, which were investigated by the Seattle Fire Department. In 1986, Ecology began investigating the source of gasoline odors in the Monterey apartment building. In 1989, the Arnolds sold the site to John Yoo and Young Yoo. In 1993, the sale was rescinded because of the presence of petroleum contamination. In 1993, Ecology ordered the Site to stop selling gasoline and contracted to have the underground storage tanks and associated gasoline dispensing equipment removed from the Site. In addition, Ecology installed a soil vapor extraction remediation system at the Site.
- C. By letter dated February 11, 1994, Ecology notified Mr. and Mrs. Arnold that it proposed to find them "potentially liable persons" under RCW 70.105D.040.

invited Mr. and Mrs. Arnold to submit comments on this proposed finding. Mr. and Mrs. Arnold requested and were given additional time to submit comments. After reviewing information submitted by Mr. and Mrs. Arnold, Ecology notified them by letter dated October 5, 1994, of their status as "potentially liable persons" under RCW 70.105D.040.

- D. On November 20, 1991, Ecology notified the Yoos that based upon all available information, it was Ecology's opinion that releases of petroleum contamination at the Site occurred prior to the Yoos' ownership of the property. As of the date of entry of this Decree, Ecology has not named the Yoos as "potentially liable persons" under RCW 70.105D.040 and does not consider there to be credible evidence to support imposing liability for past costs on the Yoos.
- E. On July 19, 1996, Erma R. Arnold died. Probate was filed in King County Superior Court under Cause No. 96-4-04704-7. Ecology filed a creditor's claim dated March 3, 1997, in the amount of \$914,809.52 for claimed costs incurred relating to the site.
- F. On December 17, 2000, William F. Arnold died. Probate was filed in King County Superior Court under Cause No. 01-4-01512-2 SEA. Mr. and Mrs. Arnold hereby appear in this matter through their duly appointed Estates' executors.
- G. By letter dated April 27, 1999, Ecology notified Texaco, Inc. that it proposed to find it a "potentially liable person" under RCW 70.105D.040. The letter invited Texaco to submit comments on this proposed finding. Texaco did submit comments on August 5, 1999. After reviewing information submitted by Texaco, Ecology notified Texaco by letter dated September 28, 1999, of its status as a "potentially liable person" under RCW 70.105D.040.
- H. Ecology and Defendants have evaluated Ecology's claim for past Costs through September 28, 1999, including the creditor's claim Ecology filed with the Estate of Erma R. Arnold. Ecology has determined that it is appropriate under the circumstances to compromise

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its past Costs claim for this period. Ecology has agreed to accept payment from defendants in the amount of \$150,000.00 as complete and full compromise of all Ecology claimed Costs incurred through September 28, 1999, as related to Defendants.

VI. AMENDMENT OF CONSENT DECREE

This Decree may only be amended by a written stipulation among the parties to this Decree that is entered by the Court or by order of the Court. Such amendment shall become effective upon entry by the Court. Agreement to amend shall not be unreasonably withheld by any party to the Decree.

Defendants shall submit any request for an amendment to Ecology for approval. Ecology shall indicate its approval or disapproval in a timely manner after the request for amendment is received. If the amendment to the Decree is substantial, Ecology will provide public notice and opportunity for comment. Reasons for the disapproval shall be stated in writing.

VII. <u>OTHER ACTIONS</u>

Ecology reserves its rights to institute remedial action(s) at the Site and subsequently pursue cost recovery, and Ecology reserves its rights to issue orders and/or penalties or take any other enforcement action pursuant to available statutory authority for matters outside the scope of this Consent Decree (i.e., Costs incurred by Ecology after September 28, 1999, relating to the Site and not settled in this Consent Decree, and remedial investigation and cleanup actions relating to the Site). With respect to matters within the scope of this Consent Decree (i.e., Costs incurred by Ecology through September 28, 1999, relating to the Site), Ecology reserves its rights to issue orders and/or penalties or take any other enforcement action pursuant to available statutory authority in the event Defendants fail, after notice, to comply with any requirement of this Decree.

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Ecology reserves the right to take any enforcement action whatsoever, including a cost recovery action, against potentially liable persons not party to this Decree, except as otherwise expressly provided herein relating to the Yoos.

VIII. <u>INDEMNIFICATION</u>

Defendants agree to indemnify and save and hold the State of Washington, its employees, and agents harmless from any and all claims or causes of action for death or injuries to persons or for loss or damage to property arising from or on account of acts or omissions of Defendants, its officers, employees, agents, or contractors in entering into and implementing this Decree. However, the Defendants shall not indemnify the State of Washington nor save nor hold its employees and agents harmless from any claims or causes of action arising out of the negligent acts or omissions of the State of Washington, or the employees or agents of the State, in implementing the activities pursuant to this Decree.

IX. EFFECT OF SETTLEMENT; CONTRIBUTION PROTECTION

By entering into this settlement and Consent Decree, Ecology covenants that it will not sue Defendants, Defendants' heirs and successors, and/or the Yoos for Costs incurred by Ecology through September 28, 1999. In addition, Ecology expressly waives and forever releases with prejudice any and all claims it may have against Defendants, Defendants' heirs and successors, and the Yoos for Costs incurred through September 28, 1999. Nothing in this Consent Decree shall be construed to create any rights in, or grant any cause of action to, any person not a Party to this Consent Decree except as otherwise expressly provided herein relating to the Yoos. Each of the Parties expressly reserves any and all rights (including, but not limited to, any right to contribution), defenses, claims, demands, and causes of action which each Party may have with respect to any matter, transaction, or occurrence relating in any way to the Site against any person not a Party hereto.

The Parties agree, and by entering this Consent Decree this Court finds, that the Defendants, Defendants' heirs and successors, and the Yoos are entitled, as of the Effective Date, to protection from contribution actions or claims as provided by RCW 70.105D.040(4)(d) for matters addressed in this Consent Decree include all Costs incurred by Ecology through September 28, 1999, relating to the Site and as settled in this Consent Decree.

X. <u>REMEDIAL AND INVESTIGATIVE COSTS</u>

By entering into this Consent Decree, Ecology does not waive or release any claims against Defendants for costs incurred after September 28, 1999, and does not waive the right to order Defendants to perform additional remedial actions relating to the Site.

XI. CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE

Defendants hereby agree that they will not seek to recover any costs paid pursuant to this Decree from the State of Washington or any of its agencies; and further, that the Defendants will make no claim against the State Toxics Control Account or any Local Toxics Control Account for any costs incurred in implementing this Decree. Except as provided above, however, Defendant expressly reserves its right to seek to recover any costs incurred in implementing this Decree from any other potentially liable person.

XII. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Decree is effective upon the date it is entered by the Court.

XIII. PUBLIC NOTICE AND WITHDRAWAL OF CONSENT

This Decree has been the subject of public notice and comment under RCW 70.105D.040(4)(a). As a result of this process, Ecology has found that this Decree will lead to a more expeditious cleanup of hazardous substances at the site.

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1	If the Court withholds or withdraws its consent to this Decree, it shall be null and voice	
2	at the option of any party and the accompanying Complaint shall be dismissed without cost	
3	and without prejudice. In such an event, no party shall be bound by the requirements of thi	
4	Decree.	
5	CTATE OF WASHINGTON	
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9	STEVE ALEXANDER Section Head	ANDREW A. FITZ, WSBA #22169 Assistant Attorney General
10	Toxics Cleanup Program	Assistant Attorney General
11	Northwest Regional Office	
12	Date: 11-20-8	Date: 12/03/01
13	ESTATE OF WILLIAM F. ARNOLD	ESTATE OF ERMA R. ARNOLD
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16	EXECUTOR (Administrator)	EXECUTOR EXECUTOR
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