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August 21, 2025

Alexander Scott
City Administrator
City of Spokane
808 West Spokane Falls Boulevard
Spokane, WA 99201

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

- **Site Name: Spokane International Airport PFAS**
- **Site Address: 9000 W. Airport Dr., Spokane, WA 99204**
- **Cleanup Site ID: 16774**
- **Facility/Site ID: 6332493**
- **County Assessor's Parcel Number(s): 25310.9021**

Dear Alexander Scott:

On June 13, 2025, the Department of Ecology (Ecology) sent you written notice of our preliminary determination that the City of Spokane is a potentially liable person (PLP) for a release of hazardous substances at the Spokane International Airport PFAS facility (Site). At the request of the City of Spokane, Ecology granted a 15-day extension to respond to our preliminary determination. On July 31, 2025, the 45-day comment period on our preliminary determination expired and, on that day, Ecology received your written comments as well as your written notice accepting your status as a PLP for the Site.

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

The purpose of the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) is to identify, investigate, and clean up facilities where hazardous substances have been released. Liability for environmental contamination under MTCA is strict, joint and several (RCW 70A.305.040(2)). Ecology ensures that contaminated sites are investigated and cleaned up to the standards set forth in the MTCA statute and regulations. Ecology has determined that it is in the public interest for remedial

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actions to take place at this Site. Ecology will contact you regarding the actions necessary for the City of Spokane 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. Failure to comply may 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 70A.305.050(1)).

Your rights and responsibilities as a PLP are outlined in Chapter 70A.305 RCW, and Chapters 173-340 and 173-204 WAC. Ecology's site manager for the Site, Jeremy Schmidt, will contact you with information about how Ecology intends to proceed with the cleanup.

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact Jeremy Schmidt at 509-724-1164 or jesc461@ecy.wa.gov.

Sincerely,



Nicholas Acklam
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