



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
**DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY**

Central Region Office

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July 11, 2025

Tarah Ownby  
Ryder System, Inc.  
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**Re: Application Acceptance to the Standard Voluntary Cleanup Program for the following Site:**

- **Site Name:** Ryder Truck Rental Leasing Inc
- **Site Address:** 19 W Washington Avenue, Yakima
- **Facility Site ID:** 17218256
- **Cleanup Site ID:** 5609
- **VCP Project ID:** CE0576

Dear Tarah Ownby:

The Department of Ecology<sup>1</sup> (Ecology) has accepted your application to the Standard process of the Voluntary Cleanup Program<sup>2</sup> (VCP) for the Ryder Truck Rental Leasing Inc facility (Site). We applaud your initiative and welcome your interest in the VCP. This letter has important information on how we'll review your Site's VCP cleanup project (project).

### Agreement

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On July 11, 2025, we completed and signed your Standard VCP agreement for the project. This date is the effective date of the enclosed, signed VCP Agreement.

### Identification numbers

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We have also assigned a unique project 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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<sup>1</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/>

<sup>2</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/spills-cleanup/contamination-cleanup/voluntary-cleanup-program>

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## Communications

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Unless otherwise requested, we'll communicate directly with you as the project manager 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.<sup>3</sup>

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

Tavi Wise  
Toxics Cleanup Program  
Central Region Office  
Department of Ecology  
Tavi.Wise@ecy.wa.gov  
509-406-6959

## Request for written opinion

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As your cleanup progresses, you may request a written opinion on your planned or completed cleanup actions by submitting to Ecology 1) a completed request for opinion<sup>4</sup> form, and 2) cleanup action plans and/or cleanup reports.

## Reporting requirements

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When requesting our 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 18.220<sup>5</sup> and 18.43<sup>6</sup> RCW, respectively.

Data submittal. You must submit environmental data to our Environmental Information Management<sup>7</sup> (EIM) system. The Toxics Cleanup Program Policy 840<sup>8</sup> describes data submittal requirements. Please visit the EIM Help Center<sup>9</sup> for data submittal instructions and more information.

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<sup>3</sup> <https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/publications/summarypages/ECY070218.html>

<sup>4</sup> <https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/publications/summarypages/ECY070219.html>

<sup>5</sup> <https://apps.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=18.220>

<sup>6</sup> <https://apps.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=18.43>

<sup>7</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/eim>

<sup>8</sup> <https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/publications/SummaryPages/1609050.html>

<sup>9</sup> <https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/eim/help/>

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## Payment

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We'll send monthly invoices to the billing contact listed in your VCP application form. 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. Payment is due within 30 calendar days from the date of each invoice.

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

## Site listing notice

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We determined that your Site requires cleanup action. Therefore, we added your Site to our Contaminated Sites List,<sup>10</sup> as required by the Model Toxics Control Act.<sup>11</sup> We appreciate your cooperation in planning or conducting cleanup action at the Site. Moving forward with cleanup action does not constitute an admission of guilt or liability. This early notice of site listing is required under WAC 173-340-310<sup>12</sup>(6)(b).

## Contact information

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We are committed to working with you to complete a prompt and effective Site cleanup. If you have any questions, please contact me at 509-406-6959 or [tavi.wise@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:tavi.wise@ecy.wa.gov).

Sincerely,



Tavi Wise  
VCP Project Coordinator  
Toxics Cleanup Program  
Central Region Office

Enclosure: Copy of signed VCP agreement

cc: Karl Bowers, [karl.bowers@apexc.com](mailto:karl.bowers@apexc.com)  
Mary Lynn Douglas, [mdouglas@ryder.com](mailto:mdouglas@ryder.com)  
TCP Operating Budget Analyst  
VCP Fiscal Analyst

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<sup>10</sup> <https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/cleanupsearch/reports/cleanup/contaminated>

<sup>11</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Spills-Cleanup/Contamination-cleanup/Rules-directing-our-cleanup-work/Model-Toxics-Control-Act>

<sup>12</sup> <https://app.leg.wa.gov/wac/default.aspx?cite=173-340-310>



## Appendix

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Copy of signed VCP agreement