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11	v.	CONSERVI BECABE	
12 ESTELITA'S LIBRARY, a Washington 501(c)(3) not-for-profit corporation,			
13	Defendant.		
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#### I. INTRODUCTION

- The mutual objective of the State of Washington, Department of Ecology 1. (Ecology) and Estelita's Library, a Washington not-for-profit corporation (Defendant) under this Decree is to provide for remedial action at a facility located at 2901 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue South in Seattle, Washington, where there has been a release or threatened release of hazardous substances. More specifically, the mutual objectives of the Parties to this Decree are to: (1) resolve the potential liability of Defendant for contamination at the CL Auto Repair Site (Site) arising from a release(s) or threatened release(s) of hazardous substances in advance of Defendant obtaining an ownership interest in real property at the Site; and (2) to facilitate the implementation of remedial action at the Site so it may be redeveloped and reused as a cultural hub and community-informed affordable housing development with approximately 65 residential units for low-income individuals and families to support and uplift the lives and voices of the most marginalized communities in South Seattle (Project). This Decree requires Defendant to complete a Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS), develop a draft Cleanup Action Plan (dCAP), and implement the remedial actions contained in the final Cleanup Action Plan (fCAP), all of which will be performed pursuant to the Schedule in Exhibit C.
- Ecology has determined that these actions are necessary to protect human health 2. and the environment.
- 3. 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.
- 4. By signing this Decree, the Parties agree to its entry and agree to be bound by its terms.

- 5. By entering into this Decree, the Parties do not intend to discharge non-settling 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.
- 6. 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 Defendant shall not challenge the authority of the Attorney General and Ecology to enforce this Decree.
- 7. 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

- 1. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter and over the Parties pursuant to the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA), Chapter 70A.305 RCW.
- 2. Authority is conferred upon the Washington State Attorney General by RCW 70A.305.040(4)(a) to agree to a settlement with any potentially liable person (PLP) if, after public notice and any required public meeting, Ecology finds the proposed settlement would lead to a more expeditious cleanup of hazardous substances. In addition, under RCW 70A.305.040(5), the Attorney General may agree to a settlement with a person not currently liable for remedial action at a facility who proposes to purchase, redevelop, or reuse the facility, provided that: (a) the settlement will yield substantial new resources to facilitate cleanup; (b) the settlement will expedite remedial action consistent with the rules adopted under MTCA; (c) and Ecology determines based upon available information that the redevelopment or reuse of the facility is not likely to contribute to the existing release or threatened release, interfere with remedial actions that may be needed at the Site, or increase health risks to persons at or in the

vicinity of the Site. RCW 70A.305.040(4)(b) requires that such a settlement be entered as a consent decree issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.

- 3. Ecology has determined that a release or threatened release of hazardous substances has occurred at the Site that is the subject of this Decree.
- 4. The actions to be taken pursuant to this Decree are necessary to protect public health and the environment.
  - 5. This Decree has been subject to public notice and comment.
- 6. Defendant has not been named as a PLP for the Site, and Defendant has certified under Section IX (Certification of Defendant) that it is not currently liable for the Site under MTCA. Defendant expects to close and acquire property at the Site pursuant to a Purchase and Sale Agreement no later than June 13, 2025.
- 7. The Property (as defined herein) comprises a portion of the Site. Defendant will incur potential liability under RCW 70A.305.040(1) at the time it acquires an interest in the Property for performing remedial actions or paying remedial costs incurred by Ecology or third parties resulting from past releases or threatened releases of hazardous substances at the Site. This Decree settles Defendant's liability as described herein for this Site upon it obtaining an ownership interest in the Property.
- 8. Defendant intends to redevelop the Property for the Project, as described further in this Decree.
- 9. Ecology finds that this Decree and/or the remedial actions required by the Decree: (a) will yield substantial new resources to facilitate cleanup of the Site; (b) will lead to a more expeditious cleanup of hazardous substances at the Site in compliance with cleanup standards established under RCW 70A.305.030(2)(e) and Chapter 173-340 WAC; (c) will promote the public interest by facilitating the redevelopment or reuse of the Site for an affordable housing development; (d) will not contribute to the existing release or threatened release at the Site; (e)

will not interfere with remedial actions that may be needed at the Site; and (f) will not increase or contribute to health risks to persons at or in the vicinity of the Site.

10. Defendant has agreed to undertake the actions specified in this Decree and consents to the entry of this Decree under MTCA.

# III. PARTIES BOUND

This Decree shall apply to and be binding upon the Parties to this Decree, their successors and assigns. The undersigned representative of each party hereby certifies that they are fully authorized to enter into this Decree and to execute and legally bind such party to comply with this Decree. Defendant agrees to undertake all actions required by the terms and conditions of this Decree. No change in ownership or corporate status shall alter Defendant's responsibility under this Decree. Defendant shall provide a copy of this Decree to all agents, contractors, and subcontractors retained to perform work required by this Decree, and shall ensure that all work undertaken by such agents, contractors, and subcontractors complies with this Decree.

#### IV. DEFINITIONS

- 1. Unless otherwise specified herein, all definitions in RCW 70A.305.020. and WAC 173-340 shall control the meanings of the terms in this Decree.
  - A. <u>Site</u>: The Site is referred to as CL Auto Repair Site, CSID #10376, FSID #74542995. The Site includes the Property located at 2901 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue South in Seattle, Washington, and the Property is outlined and described in more detail in Exhibits A and B. The Site constitutes a facility under RCW 70A.305.020(8). The Site is defined as all areas where hazardous substances, other than a consumer product in consumer use, have been deposited, stored, disposed of, or placed, or otherwise come to be located. The final delineation of the Site will be completed after full characterization and investigation in compliance with WAC 173-340-350.

- B. <u>Prospective Purchaser Consent Decree or Decree</u>: Refers to this Prospective Purchaser Consent Decree and each of the exhibits to this Decree. All exhibits are integral and enforceable parts of this Prospective Purchaser Consent Decree.
- C. <u>Defendant</u>: Refers to Estelita's Library, a Washington not-for-profit corporation.
- D. <u>Parties</u>: Refers to the State of Washington, Department of Ecology and Defendant.
- E. Project: Refers to excavation, construction, and redevelopment activities that will improve and convert the Property to a new use, including but not limited to the creation of a cultural hub and community-informed affordable housing development. "Project" does not refer to any remedial action, including but not limited to building demolition necessary to conduct remedial activities or construction activity that also serves as a remedial action (e.g., soil excavation to remove or access contaminated soil).
- F. <u>Property</u>: Refers to the real property located at 2901 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue South in Seattle, Washington. (Parcel #308600-3356)

# V. FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Ecology makes the following findings of fact without any express or implied admissions of such facts by Defendant.
  - A. Based upon factors currently known to Ecology, the Site is generally located at 2901 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue South in Seattle, Washington as shown in the Site Location Diagram (Exhibit A). Prior to any remedial action at the Site, previous investigations confirmed that total petroleum hydrocarbons in the gasoline range (TPH-G), diesel range (TPH-D) and oil range (TPH-O), as well as benzene, naphthalene and lead, were present in soil and groundwater at the Site above their respective MTCA Method A cleanup levels, and benzene and naphthalene were present in soil gas at the Site above their respective MTCA Method B Soil Gas Screening Levels.

- B. Between approximately 1939 and 2022, the Property was used by prior owners and operators (including but not limited to entities affiliated with ExxonMobil Corporation) for gasoline distribution and automotive repair operations. Releases of contamination at or from the Site are related to these historic operations.
- C. Multiple remedial investigations have been performed at the Property and the Site. Information about the nature and extent of releases of hazardous substances on and beneath the Property and the Site can be obtained from the reports at <a href="https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/cleanupsearch/site/10376#site-documents">https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/cleanupsearch/site/10376#site-documents</a>, which are hereby incorporated by reference. Remedial activities to address the releases of hazardous substances at the Property and the Site have not yet been designed or implemented.
- D. Release(s) and/or potential release(s) of hazardous substances have occurred at the Site. The following hazardous substances at the Site have been detected at concentrations above MTCA cleanup levels: (a) TPH-G, TPH-D, TPH-O, PAHs, lead and related volatile constituents (benzene, xylenes) in soil; (b) TPH-G, TPH-D, TPH-O, PAHs, and related volatile constituents (benzene, xylenes, naphthalene) in groundwater; and (c) petroleum-related volatile constituents (benzene, naphthalene) in soil gas. These hazardous substances have been released from the Site into the environment including soil, groundwater, and soil gas.
- E. Ecology has performed a site hazard assessment and ranking for the Site and pursuant to MTCA, and the site rating was medium.

# VI. WORK TO BE PERFORMED

1. This Decree contains a program designed to protect human health and the environment from the known release, or threatened release, of hazardous substances at, on, or from the Site. All remedial action(s) conducted by Defendant at the Site shall be done in accordance with WAC 173-340.

- 2. Defendant shall complete an RI/FS and a dCAP in accordance with the Scope of Work and Schedule contained attached to this Decree (Exhibit C). Following Ecology's approval of the RI/FS and the dCAP as public review documents, the RI/FS and dCAP shall be subject to public comment. Ecology may make changes to the RI/FS and/or dCAP to reflect comments or concerns raised in the public comment period, and then Ecology will issue the final RI/FS and the fCAP.
- 3. Following Ecology issuance of the fCAP, Defendant shall implement that fCAP subject to the Schedule provided under this Decree and any additional schedule requirements in the fCAP. The Decree will be amended to add the fCAP as an exhibit.
- 4. Defendant will conduct the remedial actions for the Property and the Site as described in the fCAP, once issued by Ecology. The Property will be remediated to the cleanup levels identified in the fCAP in a manner consistent with MTCA and its implementing regulations, and redeveloped with a cultural hub community space and dedicated rental units restricted for affordable housing for a minimum of 30 years, along with related commercial and retail space that will be consistent with applicable King County zoning provisions and comprehensive plan designations.
- 5. Until the fCAP is final and until implementation of remedial actions under the fCAP are required, no redevelopment of the Property may proceed; provided, that Ecology may allow for redevelopment to occur on a parcel-specific basis if: (1) a fCAP for the Property has been issued by Ecology; (2) the parcel-specific redevelopment is accompanied by a remedial action that implements Ecology's selected cleanup action for that portion of the Site; and (3) Ecology determines that proceeding with the parcel-specific redevelopment and remedial action is consistent with and will not preclude, complicate, or render more expensive the final cleanup action for the Site, and will not exacerbate the known releases or result in recontamination of the Property or the Site.

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6. Under WAC 173-340-430, an interim action is a remedial action that is technically necessary to reduce a threat to human health or the environment by eliminating or substantially reducing one or more pathways for exposure to a hazardous substance, that corrects a problem that may become substantially worse or cost substantially more to address if the remedial action is delayed, or that is needed to provide for completion of a site hazard assessment, RI/FS, or design of a dCAP. Either Party may propose an interim action under this Decree. If the Parties agree on the performance of an interim action, Defendant shall prepare and submit to Ecology an Interim Action Work Plan (IAWP), including a related Scope of Work and Schedule, by the date determined by Ecology. Ecology will provide public notice and opportunity to comment on the IAWP in accordance with WAC 173-340-600(16). Defendant shall not conduct the interim action until Ecology approves the IAWP. Upon approval by Ecology, the IAWP becomes an integral and enforceable part of this Decree, and Defendant is required to conduct the interim action in accordance with the approved IAWP. If the Parties are not in agreement, Ecology reserves its authority to require interim action(s) under a separate order or other enforcement action under MTCA, or to undertake the interim action itself.

- 7. All plans or other deliverables submitted by Defendant for Ecology's review and approval under the Scope of Work and Schedule (Exhibit C) shall, upon Ecology's approval, become integral and enforceable parts of this Decree. These deliverables include the RI/FS, the IAWP (if an interim action is performed), the IA Completion Report (if an interim action is performed), and the fCAP and any additional deliverables identified in the fCAP or any Schedule or Scope of Work contained therein.
- 8. If Defendant learns of a significant change in conditions at the Site, including but not limited to a statistically significant increase in contaminant and/or chemical concentrations in groundwater or indoor air, Defendant, within seven (7) days of learning of the change in condition, shall notify Ecology in writing of said change and provide Ecology with any reports or records (including laboratory analyses, sampling results) relating to the change in conditions.

- 9. Pursuant to WAC 173-340-440(11), Defendant shall maintain sufficient and adequate financial assurance mechanisms to cover all costs associated with the operation and maintenance of the remedial action implemented pursuant to the fCAP at the Site, including institutional controls, compliance monitoring, and potential corrective measures.
  - A. Within sixty (60) days of the effective date of this Decree, Defendant shall submit to Ecology for review and approval an estimate of the costs associated with the operation and maintenance of the remedial action at the Site that it will incur in carrying out the terms of this Decree. Within sixty (60) days after Ecology approves the aforementioned cost estimate, Defendant shall provide proof of financial assurances sufficient to cover those costs in a form acceptable to Ecology.
  - B. Defendant shall adjust the financial assurance coverage and provide Ecology's project coordinator with documentation of the updated financial assurance for:
    - i. Inflation, annually, within thirty (30) days of the anniversary date of the entry of this Decree; or if applicable, the modified anniversary date established in accordance with this section, or if applicable, ninety (90) days after the close of Defendant's fiscal year if the financial test or corporate guarantee is used.
    - Ecology's approval of a modification or revision to the CAP that result in increases to the cost or expected duration of remedial actions. Any adjustments for inflation since the most recent preceding anniversary date shall be made concurrent with adjustments for changes in cost estimates. The issuance of Ecology's approval of a revised or modified CAP will revise the anniversary date established under this section to become the date of issuance of such revised or modified CAP.

- C. The Financial Assurance Officer for Ecology shall work with the project coordinators to review and approve financial assurance coverage pursuant to this Decree and make determinations on any adjustments necessary based on the annual reporting. As of the execution date of this Decree, Ecology's Financial Assurance Officer is Joanna Seymour, 360-485-5992 or joar461@ECY.WA.GOV
- 10. Environmental (Restrictive) Covenants (ECs) will be used to implement the institutional controls for the Site as may be required by the fCAP and the requirements of this Decree.
  - A. In addition to any restrictions related to environmental conditions, to be further described in the fCAP, the ECs to be recorded shall require that the project will provide Affordable Housing units. By agreement of the project coordinators, subject to the requirement of any applicable grant agreement between the Parties, and prior to the recording of any EC required by the Decree, the Parties will further define: (1) the specific requirements for the number of Affordable Housing units that will be subject to the Covenant (a minimum of 20% percent of all housing units be Affordable Housing rental units); (2) the term of land use restriction (a minimum of 30 years); and (3) the instrument(s) required to be recorded to restrict land use to the requirements of this section. The affordable housing requirements shall, through this Decree, attach to Defendant prior to the ECs being recorded on title for the Property.
  - B. In the event that, prior or subsequent to the above-referenced ECs being recorded, the Property or any parcels which comprise the Property are transferred to a successor in interest who is not a party to this Decree, the Parties agree that compliance with the affordable housing requirements in this Decree and the ECs are necessary in order for that successor in interest to enjoy the protections provided in RCW 70A.305.040(4)(e). In the event such a successor in interest fails to comply with the affordable housing requirements in this Decree or the ECs, Ecology reserves its authority

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to pursue an action for cost recovery from such successors in interest pursuant to RCW 70A.305.050(3), but only to the extent that funds from Ecology's Affordable Housing Cleanup Grant Program have been expended at or for the Site. In consultation with Defendant, Ecology will prepare the ECs consistent with WAC 173-340-440, RCW 64.70, and any policies or procedures specified by Ecology. The ECs shall restrict future activities and uses of the Site as agreed to by Ecology and Defendant.

- C. After approval by Ecology, Defendant shall record the ECs for affected parcels owned by Defendant with the office of the King County Auditor as detailed in the Schedule (Exhibit C). Defendant shall provide Ecology with the original recorded Environmental (Restrictive) Covenants within thirty (30) days of the recording date.
- D. If provided for in the fCAP for the Site, institutional controls may be required on properties not owned by Defendant. Defendant will undertake good faith efforts to engage with the owners of each affected property so that an Ecology-approved EC is recorded as detailed in the fCAP. Upon a showing that Defendant has made a good faith effort to secure an EC for an affected property and failed to do so, Ecology may assist Defendant. Defendant shall provide Ecology with the original recorded EC within thirty (30) days of the recording date.
- 11. Unless otherwise directed by Ecology, Defendant shall submit to Ecology written quarterly Progress Reports that describe the actions taken during the previous quarter to implement the requirements of this Decree. All Progress Reports shall be submitted every ninety (90) days after the effective date of this Decree. Unless otherwise specified in writing by Ecology, Progress Reports and any other documents submitted pursuant to this Decree shall be sent by electronic mail to Ecology's project coordinator. The Progress Reports shall include the following:
  - A. A list of on-site activities that have taken place during the quarter.
  - B. Description of any sample results which deviate from the norm.

1	C. Detailed description of any deviations from required tasks not otherwise	
2	documented in project plans or amendment requests.	
3	D. Description of all deviations from the Scope of Work and Schedule	
4	(Exhibit C) during the current month and any planned deviations in the upcoming month.	
5	E. For any deviations in schedule, a plan for recovering lost time and	
6	maintaining compliance with the schedule.	
7	F. All raw data (including laboratory analyses) received during the previous	
8	quarter (if not previously submitted to Ecology), together with a detailed description of	
9	the underlying samples collected.	
10	G. A list of planned activities for the upcoming month.	
11	12. Except in the case of an emergency, Defendant agrees not to perform any	
12	remedial actions at the Site outside the scope of this Decree without prior written approval of	
13	Ecology. In the case of an emergency, Defendant must notify Ecology of the event and remedial	
14	action(s) as soon as practical, but no later than twenty-four (24) hours after discovery of the	
15	emergency.	
16	VII. DESIGNATED PROJECT COORDINATORS	
17	1. The project coordinator for Ecology is:	
18	Shreejita Basu	
19	PO BOX 330316 Shoreline, WA 98133	
20	(206) 773-7950 shreejita.basu@ecy.wa.gov	
21	2. The project coordinators for Defendant are:	
22	Ali Cochrane, LG	
23	Aspect Consulting (a Geosyntec Company) 710 2 <sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Suite 550 Seattle, WA 98104	
24	(206) 838-6594	
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- 3. Each project coordinator shall be responsible for overseeing the implementation of this Decree. Ecology's project coordinator will be Ecology's designated representative for the Site. To the maximum extent possible, communications between Ecology and Defendant and all documents, including reports, approvals, and other correspondence concerning the activities performed pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Decree shall be directed through the project coordinators. The project coordinators may designate, in writing, working level staff contacts for all or portions of the implementation of the work to be performed required by this Decree.
- 4. Any party may change its respective project coordinator. Written notification shall be given to the other party at least ten (10) calendar days prior to the change.

#### VIII. PERFORMANCE

- 1. Except as otherwise provided for by RCW 18.43 and 18.220, all geologic and hydrogeologic work performed pursuant to this Decree shall be under the supervision and direction of a geologist or hydrogeologist licensed by the State of Washington or under the direct supervision of an engineer registered by the State of Washington.
- Except as otherwise provided for by RCW 18.43.130, all engineering work performed pursuant to this Decree shall be under the direct supervision of a professional engineer registered by the State of Washington.
- 3. Except as otherwise provided for by RCW 18.43.130, all construction work performed pursuant to this Decree shall be under the direct supervision of a professional engineer

registered by the State of Washington or a qualified technician under the direct supervision of a professional engineer registered by the State of Washington.

- 4. As required by RCW 18.43 and 18.220, any documents submitted containing geologic, hydrogeologic, or engineering work shall be under the seal of an appropriately licensed professional.
- 5. Defendant shall notify Ecology in writing of the identity of any engineer(s) and geologist(s), contractor(s) and subcontractor(s), and other key personnel to be used in carrying out the terms of this Decree, in advance of their involvement at the Site.

#### IX. CERTIFICATION OF DEFENDANT

- 1. Defendant represents and certifies that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, it has fully and accurately disclosed to Ecology the information currently in its possession or control that relates to the environmental conditions at and in the vicinity of the Property and the Site, as well as Defendant's right and title thereto.
- 2. Defendant represents and certifies that it did not cause or contribute to any release or threatened release of hazardous substances at the Property or the Site and is not otherwise currently potentially liable for the Site under RCW 70A.305.040(1).

#### X. ACCESS

1. Ecology or any Ecology authorized representative shall have access to enter and freely move about all property at the Site that Defendant either owns, controls, or has access rights to at all reasonable times for the purposes of, *inter alia*: inspecting records, operation logs, and contracts related to the work being performed pursuant to this Decree; reviewing Defendant's progress in carrying out the terms of this Decree; conducting such tests or collecting such samples as Ecology may deem necessary; using a camera, sound recording, or other documentary type equipment to record work done pursuant to this Decree; and verifying the data submitted to Ecology by Defendant.

2. Nothing in this Decree is intended by the Defendant to waive any right it may have under applicable law to limit disclosure of documents protected by the attorney work-product privilege and/or the attorney-client privilege. If Defendant withholds any requested records based on an assertion of privilege, it shall provide Ecology with a privilege log specifying the records withheld and the applicable privilege. No Site-related data collected pursuant to this Decree shall be considered privileged.

- 3. Defendant shall make all reasonable efforts to secure access rights for those properties within the Site not owned or controlled by Defendant where remedial activities or investigations will be performed pursuant to this Decree.
- 4. Ecology or any Ecology authorized representative shall give reasonable notice before entering any Site property owned or controlled by Defendant unless an emergency prevents such notice. All Parties who access the Site pursuant to this section shall comply with any applicable health and safety plan(s). Ecology employees and their representatives shall not be required to sign any liability release or waiver as a condition of Site property access.

# XI. SAMPLING, DATA SUBMITTAL, AND AVAILABILITY

- 1. With respect to the implementation of this Decree, Defendant shall make the results of all sampling, laboratory reports, and/or test results generated by it or on its behalf available to Ecology by submitting data as detailed in this section. Pursuant to WAC 173-340-840(5), all sampling data shall be submitted to Ecology in both printed and electronic formats in accordance with paragraph 8 of Section VI (Work to be Performed), Ecology's Toxics Cleanup Program Policy 840 (Data Submittal Requirements), and/or any subsequent procedures specified by Ecology for data submittal.
- 2. If requested by Ecology, Defendant shall allow Ecology and/or its authorized representative to take split or duplicate samples of any samples collected by Defendant pursuant to the implementation of this Decree. Defendant shall notify Ecology seven (7) days in advance of any sample collection or work activity at the Site. Ecology shall, upon request, allow

Defendant and/or its authorized representative to take split or duplicate samples of any samples collected by Ecology pursuant to the implementation of this Decree, provided that doing so does not interfere with Ecology's sampling. Without limitation on Ecology's rights under Section X (Access), Ecology shall notify Defendant prior to any sample collection activity unless an emergency prevents such notice.

3. In accordance with WAC 173-340-830(2)(a), all hazardous substance analyses shall be conducted by a laboratory accredited under WAC 173-50 for the specific analyses to be conducted, unless otherwise approved by Ecology.

#### XII. ACCESS TO INFORMATION

- 1. Defendant shall provide to Ecology, upon request, copies of all records, reports, documents, and other information (including records, reports, documents, and other information in electronic form) (hereinafter referred to as "Records") within Defendant's possession or control or that of their contractors or agents relating to activities at the Site or to the implementation of this Decree, including, but not limited to, sampling, analysis, chain of custody records, manifests, trucking logs, receipts, reports, sample traffic routing, correspondence, or other documents or information regarding the work. Defendant shall also make available to Ecology, for purposes of investigation, information gathering, or testimony, their employees, agents, or representatives with knowledge of relevant facts concerning the performance of the work.
- 2. Nothing in this Decree is intended to waive any right Defendant may have under applicable law to limit disclosure of Records protected by the attorney work-product privilege and/or the attorney-client privilege. If Defendant withholds any requested Records based on an assertion of privilege, Defendant shall provide Ecology with a privilege log specifying the Records withheld and the applicable privilege. No Site-related data collected pursuant to this Decree shall be considered privileged, including: (1) any data regarding the Site, including, but

not limited to, all sampling, analytical, monitoring, hydrogeologic, scientific, chemical, radiological, biological, or engineering data, or the portion of any other record that evidences conditions at or around the Site; or (2) the portion of any Record that Defendant is required to create or generate pursuant to this Order.

3. Notwithstanding any provision of this Order, Ecology retains all of its information gathering and inspection authorities and rights, including enforcement actions related thereto, under any other applicable statutes or regulations.

# XIII. RETENTION OF RECORDS

During the pendency of this Decree, and for ten (10) years from the date this Decree is no longer in effect as provided in Section XXVI (Duration of Decree), Defendant shall preserve all records, reports, documents, and underlying data in its possession relevant to the implementation of this Decree and shall insert a similar record retention requirement into all contracts with project contractors and subcontractors. Upon request of Ecology, Defendant shall make all records available to Ecology and allow access for review within a reasonable time.

#### XIV. TRANSFER OF INTEREST IN PROPERTY

- 1. No voluntary conveyance or relinquishment of title, easement, leasehold, or other interest in any portion of the Site shall be consummated by Defendant without provision for continued operation and maintenance of any containment system, treatment system, and/or monitoring system installed or implemented pursuant to this Decree.
- 2. Prior to Defendant's transfer of any interest in all or any portion of the Site, and during the effective period of this Decree, Defendant shall provide a copy of this Decree to any prospective purchaser, lessee, transferee, assignee, or other successor in said interest. At least thirty (30) days prior to any transfer, Defendant shall notify Ecology of said transfer; provided, however, that Defendant shall not be required to notify Ecology for a lease of spaces or units for residential or commercial / retail uses after Ecology has determined that there are no health risks to the residents or tenants of the spaces or units. Upon its transfer of any interest, Defendant shall

notify all transferees of the restrictions on the activities and uses of the property under this Decree and incorporate any such use restrictions into the transfer documents.

#### XV. RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES

- 1. In the event that Defendant elects to invoke dispute resolution, Defendant must utilize the procedure set forth below.
  - A. Upon the triggering event (receipt of Ecology's project coordinator's written decision or an itemized billing statement), Defendant has fourteen (14) calendar days within which to notify Ecology's project coordinator in writing of its dispute (Informal Dispute Notice).
  - B. The Parties' project coordinators shall then confer in an effort to resolve the dispute informally. The parties shall informally confer for up to fourteen (14) calendar days from receipt of the Informal Dispute Notice. If the project coordinators cannot resolve the dispute within those 14 calendar days, then within seven (7) calendar days Ecology's project coordinator shall issue a written decision (Informal Dispute Decision) stating: the nature of the dispute; the Defendant's position with regards to the dispute; Ecology's position with regards to the dispute; and the extent of resolution reached by informal discussion.
  - C. Defendant may then request regional management review of the dispute. Defendant must submit this request (Formal Dispute Notice) in writing to the Toxics Cleanup Section Manager for the Northwest Regional Office within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of Ecology's Informal Dispute Decision. The Formal Dispute Notice shall include a written statement of dispute setting forth: the nature of the dispute; the disputing Party's position with respect to the dispute; and the information relied upon to support its position.

- D. The Section Manager shall conduct a review of the dispute and shall issue a written decision regarding the dispute (Decision on Dispute) within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt of the Formal Dispute Notice.
- E. If Defendant finds the Section Manager's decision of the disputed matter unacceptable, Defendant may then request final management review of that decision. Defendant must submit this request (Final Review Request) in writing to the Program Manager for the Toxics Cleanup Program within seven (7) calendar days of Defendant's receipt of the Decision on Dispute. The Final Review Request shall include a written statement of dispute setting forth: the nature of the dispute; the disputing Defendant's position with respect to the dispute; and the information relied upon to support its position.
- F. Ecology's Program Manager for the Toxics Cleanup Program shall conduct a review of the dispute and shall issue a written decision regarding the dispute (Final Decision on Dispute) within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt of the Final Review Request. The Program Manager's decision shall be Ecology's final decision on the disputed matter.
- 2. If Ecology's Final Decision on Dispute is unacceptable to Defendant, then Defendant has the right to submit the dispute to the Court for resolution. The Parties agree that one judge should retain jurisdiction over this case and shall, as necessary, resolve any dispute arising under this Decree. Under RCW 70A.305.070, Ecology's investigative and remedial decisions shall be upheld unless they are arbitrary and capricious.
- 3. The Parties agree to only utilize the dispute resolution process in good faith and agree to expedite, to the extent possible, the dispute resolution process whenever it is used. Where either party utilizes the dispute resolution process in bad faith or for purposes of delay, the other party may seek sanctions.

- 4. Implementation of these dispute resolution procedures shall not provide a basis for delay of any activities required in this Decree, unless Ecology agrees in writing to a schedule extension or the Court so orders.
- 5. In case of a dispute, failure to either proceed with the work required by this Decree or timely invoke dispute resolution may result in Ecology's determination that insufficient progress is being made in preparation of a deliverable, and may result in Ecology undertaking the work under Section XXIV (Implementation of Remedial Action).

# XVI. AMENDMENT OF DECREE

- 1. The Parties may agree to minor changes to the work to be performed without formally amending this Decree. Minor changes will be documented in writing by Ecology.
- 2. Substantial changes to the work to be performed shall require formal amendment of this Decree. This Decree may only be formally amended by a written stipulation among the Parties that is entered by the Court, or by order of the Court. Ecology will provide its written consent to a formal amendment only after public notice and opportunity to comment on the formal amendment. Such amendment shall become effective upon entry by the Court. Agreement to amend the Decree shall not be unreasonably withheld by any party.
- 3. When requesting a change to the Decree, Defendant shall submit a written request to Ecology for approval. Ecology shall indicate its approval or disapproval in writing and in a timely manner after the written request is received. If Ecology determines that the change is substantial, then the Decree must be formally amended. Reasons for the disapproval of a proposed change to this Decree shall be stated in writing. If Ecology does not agree to the requested change, the disagreement may be addressed through the dispute resolution procedures described in Section XV (Resolution of Disputes).

# XVII. EXTENSION OF SCHEDULE

1. Defendant's request for an extension of schedule shall be granted only when a request for an extension is submitted in a timely fashion, generally at least thirty (30) days prior

2	granting the extension. All extensions shall be requested in writing. The request shall specify:	
3	A. The deadline that is sought to be extended.	
4	B. The length of the extension sought.	
5	C. The reason(s) for the extension.	
6	D. Any related deadline or schedule that would be affected if the extension	
7	were granted.	
8	2. The burden shall be on Defendant to demonstrate to the satisfaction of Ecology	
9	that the request for such extension has been submitted in a timely fashion and that good cause	
10	exists for granting the extension. Good cause may include, but may not be limited to:	
11	A. Circumstances beyond the reasonable control and despite the due	
12	diligence of Defendant including delays caused by unrelated third parties or Ecology	
13	such as (but not limited to) delays by Ecology in reviewing, approving, or modifying	
14	documents submitted by Defendant.	
15	B. A shelter in place or work stoppage mandated by state or loca	
16	government order due to public health and safety emergencies.	
17	C. Acts of God, including fire, flood, blizzard, extreme temperatures, storm	
18	or other unavoidable casualty.	
19	D. Endangerment as described in Section XVII (Endangerment).	
20	However, neither increased costs of performance of the terms of this Decree nor changed	
21	economic circumstances shall be considered circumstances beyond the reasonable control of	
22	Defendant.	
23	3. Ecology shall act upon any Defendant's written request for extension in a timely	
24	fashion. Ecology shall give Defendant written notification of any extensions granted pursuant to	
25	this Decree. A requested extension shall not be effective until approved by Ecology or, it	
26	required, by the Court. Unless the extension is a substantial change, it shall not be necessary to	

1 | to expiration of the deadline for which the extension is requested, and good cause exists for

amend this Decree pursuant to Section XV (Amendment of Decree) when a schedule extension is granted.

- 4. At Defendant's request an extension shall only be granted for such period of time as Ecology determines is reasonable under the circumstances. Ecology may grant schedule extensions exceeding ninety (90) days only as a result of one of the following:
  - A. Delays in the issuance of a necessary permit which was applied for in a timely manner.
    - B. Other circumstances deemed exceptional or extraordinary by Ecology.
    - C. Endangerment as described in Section XVII (Endangerment).

#### XVIII. ENDANGERMENT

- 1. In the event Ecology determines that any activity being performed at the Site under this Decree is creating or has the potential to create a danger to human health or the environment, Ecology may direct Defendant to cease such activities for such period of time as it deems necessary to abate the danger. Defendant shall immediately comply with such direction.
- 2. In the event Defendant determines that any activity being performed at the Site under this Decree is creating or has the potential to create a danger to human health or the environment, Defendant may cease such activities. Defendant shall notify Ecology's project coordinator as soon as possible, but no later than twenty-four (24) hours after making such determination or ceasing such activities. Upon Ecology's direction, Defendant shall provide Ecology with documentation of the basis for the determination or cessation of such activities. If Ecology disagrees with Defendant's cessation of activities, it may direct Defendant to resume such activities.
- 3. If Ecology concurs with or orders a work stoppage pursuant to this section, Defendant's obligations with respect to the ceased activities shall be suspended until Ecology determines the danger is abated, and the time for performance of such activities, as well as the time for any other work dependent upon such activities, shall be extended, in accordance with

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- B. Failure of the remedial action to meet the cleanup standards identified in the fCAP, which will be incorporated as an Exhibit to this Decree when completed pursuant to the Scope of Work and Schedule (Exhibit C).
- C. Upon Ecology's determination that remedial action beyond the terms of this Decree is necessary to abate an imminent and substantial endangerment to human health or the environment.
- D. Upon the availability of information previously unknown to Ecology regarding Site factors including the nature, quantity, migration, pathway, or mobility of hazardous substances, and Ecology's determination, in light of this information, that further remedial action is necessary at the Site to protect human health or the environment.
- E. Upon Ecology's determination that additional remedial actions are necessary to achieve cleanup standards within the reasonable restoration time frame set forth in the fCAP.
- 4. Except in the case of an emergency, prior to instituting legal or administrative action against Defendant pursuant to this section, Ecology shall provide Defendant with fifteen (15) calendar days' notice of such action.

# XX. CONTRIBUTION PROTECTION

1. With regard to claims for contribution against Defendant, the Parties agree that Defendant is entitled to protection against claims for contribution for matters addressed in this Decree as provided by RCW 70A.305.040(4)(d).

#### XXI. INDEMNIFICATION

1. Defendant agrees to indemnify and save and hold the State of Washington, its employees, and agents harmless from any and all claims or causes of action (1) for death or injuries to persons, or (2) for loss or damage to property to the extent arising from or on account of acts or omissions of Defendant, its officers, employees, agents, or contractors in entering into

and implementing this Decree. However, Defendant shall not indemnify the State of Washington nor save nor hold its employees and agents harmless from any claims or causes of action to the extent arising out of the negligent acts or omissions of the State of Washington, or the employees or agents of the State, in entering into or implementing this Decree.

# XXII. COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAWS

- 1. Applicable Law. All actions carried out by Defendant pursuant to this Decree shall be done in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local requirements, including requirements to obtain necessary permits, except as provided in RCW 70A.305.090. The permits or specific federal, state, or local requirements that the agency has determined are applicable and that are known at the time of the execution of this Decree have been identified in Exhibit D. Defendant has a continuing obligation to identify additional applicable federal, state, and local requirements which apply to actions carried out pursuant to this Decree, and to comply with those requirements. As additional federal, state, and local requirements are identified by Ecology or the Defendant, Ecology will document in writing if they are applicable to actions carried out pursuant to this Decree, and the Defendant must implement those requirements.
- 2. Relevant and Appropriate Requirements. All actions carried out by Defendant pursuant to this Decree shall be done in accordance with relevant and appropriate requirements identified by Ecology. The relevant and appropriate requirements that Ecology has determined apply to the Project have been identified in Exhibit D. If additional relevant and appropriate requirements are identified by Ecology or the Defendant, Ecology will document in writing if they are applicable to actions carried out pursuant to this Decree and the Defendant must implement those requirements.
- 3. Pursuant to RCW 70A.305.090(1), Defendant may be exempt from the procedural requirements of RCW 70A.15, 70A.205, 70A.300, 77.55, 90.48, and 90.58 and of any laws requiring or authorizing local government permits or approvals. However, Defendant shall comply with the substantive requirements of such permits or approvals. For permits and

approvals covered under RCW 70A.305.090(1) that have been issued by local government, the Parties agree that Ecology has the non-exclusive ability under this Decree to enforce those local government permits and/or approvals. The exempt permits or approvals and the applicable substantive requirements of those permits or approvals, as they are known at the time of the execution of this Decree, have been identified in Exhibit D.

- 4. Defendant has a continuing obligation to determine whether additional permits or approvals addressed in RCW 70A.305.090(1) would otherwise be required for the remedial action under this Decree. In the event either Ecology or Defendant determines that additional permits or approvals addressed in RCW 70A.305.090(1) would otherwise be required for the remedial action under this Decree, it shall promptly notify the other party of its determination. Ecology shall determine whether Ecology or Defendant shall be responsible to contact the appropriate state and/or local agencies. If Ecology so requires, Defendant shall promptly consult with the appropriate state and/or local agencies and provide Ecology with written documentation from those agencies of the substantive requirements those agencies believe are applicable to the remedial action. Ecology shall make the final determination on the additional substantive requirements that must be met by Defendant and on how Defendant must meet those requirements. Ecology shall inform Defendant in writing of these requirements. Once established by Ecology, the additional requirements shall be enforceable requirements of this Decree. Defendant shall not begin or continue the remedial action potentially subject to the additional requirements until Ecology makes its final determination.
- 5. Pursuant to RCW 70A.305.090(2), in the event Ecology determines that the exemption from complying with the procedural requirements of the laws referenced in RCW 70A.305.090(1) would result in the loss of approval from a federal agency that is necessary for the state to administer any federal law, the exemption shall not apply and Defendant shall comply with both the procedural and substantive requirements of the laws referenced in RCW 70A.305.090(1), including any requirements to obtain permits or approvals.

# XXIII. REMEDIAL ACTION COSTS

- 1. Defendant shall pay to Ecology costs incurred by Ecology pursuant to this Decree and consistent with WAC 173-340-550(2). These costs shall include work performed by Ecology or its contractors for, or on, the Site under RCW 70A.305, including remedial actions and Decree preparation, negotiation, oversight, and administration. These costs shall include work performed both prior to and subsequent to the entry of this Decree. Ecology's costs shall include costs of direct activities and support costs of direct activities as defined in WAC 173-340-550(2). For all costs incurred, Defendant shall pay the required amount within thirty (30) days of receiving from Ecology an itemized statement of costs that includes a summary of costs incurred, an identification of involved staff, and the amount of time spent by involved staff members on the project. A general statement of work performed will be provided upon request. Itemized statements shall be prepared quarterly. Pursuant to WAC 173-340-550(4), failure to pay Ecology's costs within ninety (90) days of receipt of the itemized statement of costs will result in interest charges at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum, compounded monthly.
- 2. In addition to other available relief, pursuant to RCW 19.16.500, Ecology may utilize a collection agency and/or, pursuant to RCW 70A.305.060, file a lien against real property subject to the remedial actions to recover unreimbursed remedial action costs.

# XXIV. IMPLEMENTATION OF REMEDIAL ACTION

- 1. If Ecology determines that the Defendant has failed to make sufficient progress or failed to implement the remedial action, in whole or in part, Ecology may, after notice to Defendant, perform any or all portions of the remedial action or at Ecology's discretion allow the Defendant opportunity to correct. In an emergency, Ecology is not required to provide notice to Defendant, or an opportunity for dispute resolution. The Defendant shall reimburse Ecology for the costs of doing such work in accordance with Section XXII (Remedial Action Costs).
- 2. Except where necessary to abate an emergency or where required by law, the Defendant shall not perform any remedial actions at the Site outside those remedial actions

required by this Decree to address the contamination that is the subject of this Decree, unless Ecology concurs, in writing, with such additional remedial actions pursuant to Section XV (Amendment of Decree). In the event of an emergency, or where actions are taken as required by law, Defendant must notify Ecology in writing of the event and remedial action(s) planned or taken as soon as practical but no later than within twenty-four (24) hours of the discovery of the event.

# XXV. PERIODIC REVIEW

If the fCAP requires implementation of a cleanup action that requires a periodic review under WAC 173-340-420(2), then so long as remedial activities continue at the Property and/or Site, the Parties agree to review the progress of remedial activities at the Site and to review the data accumulated as a result of monitoring at the Site as often as is necessary and appropriate under the circumstances.. Unless otherwise agreed to by Ecology, at least every five (5) years after the initiation of cleanup action at the Site, the Parties shall confer regarding the status of the Site and the need, if any, for further remedial action at the Site. Under Section XIX (Covenant Not to Sue), Ecology reserves the right to require further remedial action at the Site under appropriate circumstances. This provision shall remain in effect for the duration of this Decree.

#### XXVI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- 1. Ecology shall maintain the responsibility for public participation at the Site. However, Defendant shall cooperate with Ecology, and shall:
  - A. If agreed to by Ecology, develop appropriate mailing lists, prepare drafts of public notices and fact sheets at important stages of the remedial action, such as the submission of work plans, remedial investigation/feasibility study reports, cleanup action plans, and engineering design reports. As appropriate, Ecology will edit, finalize, and distribute such fact sheets and prepare and distribute public notices of Ecology's presentations and meetings.

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- B. Notify Ecology's project coordinator prior to the preparation of all press releases and fact sheets, and before meetings related to remedial action work to be performed at the Site with the interested public and/or local governments. Likewise, Ecology shall notify Defendant prior to the issuance of all press releases and fact sheets related to remedial action work to be performed at the Site, and before meetings related to remedial action work to be performed at the Site with the interested public and/or local governments. For all press releases, fact sheets, meetings, and other outreach efforts by Defendant that do not receive prior Ecology approval, Defendant shall clearly indicate to its audience that the press release, fact sheet, meeting, or other outreach effort was not sponsored or endorsed by Ecology.
- C. When requested by Ecology, participate in public presentations on the progress of the remedial action at the Site. Participation may be through attendance at public meetings to assist in answering questions, or as a presenter.
- D. When requested by Ecology, arrange and/or continue information repositories at the following locations:
  - Department of Ecology Northwest Regional Office 15700 Dayton Avenue North Shoreline, WA 98133
  - ii. Estelita's Library 241 Martin Luther King Jr. Way South Seattle, WA 98144

At a minimum, copies of all public notices, fact sheets, and documents relating to public comment periods shall be promptly placed in this repository. A copy of all documents related to this Site shall be maintained at Ecology's Northwest Regional Office in Shoreline, Washington.

# XXVII. DURATION OF DECREE

The remedial program required pursuant to this Decree shall be maintained and continued until Defendant has received written notification from Ecology that the requirements of this Decree have been satisfactorily completed. This Decree shall remain in effect until dismissed by the Court. When dismissed, Section XIII (Retention of Records), Section XIX (Covenant Not to Sue), Section XXI (Contribution Protection), Section XXII (Indemnification), and Section XXVIII (Claims Against the State) shall survive.

#### XXVIII. CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE

Defendant hereby agrees that it will not seek to recover any costs accrued in implementing the remedial action required by this Decree from the State of Washington or any of its agencies; and further, that Defendant will make no claim against the State Toxics Control Account, the Local Toxics Control Account, the Environmental Legacy Stewardship Account, or a MTCA Cleanup Settlement 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 PLP. This section does not limit or address funding that may be provided under WAC 173-322A.

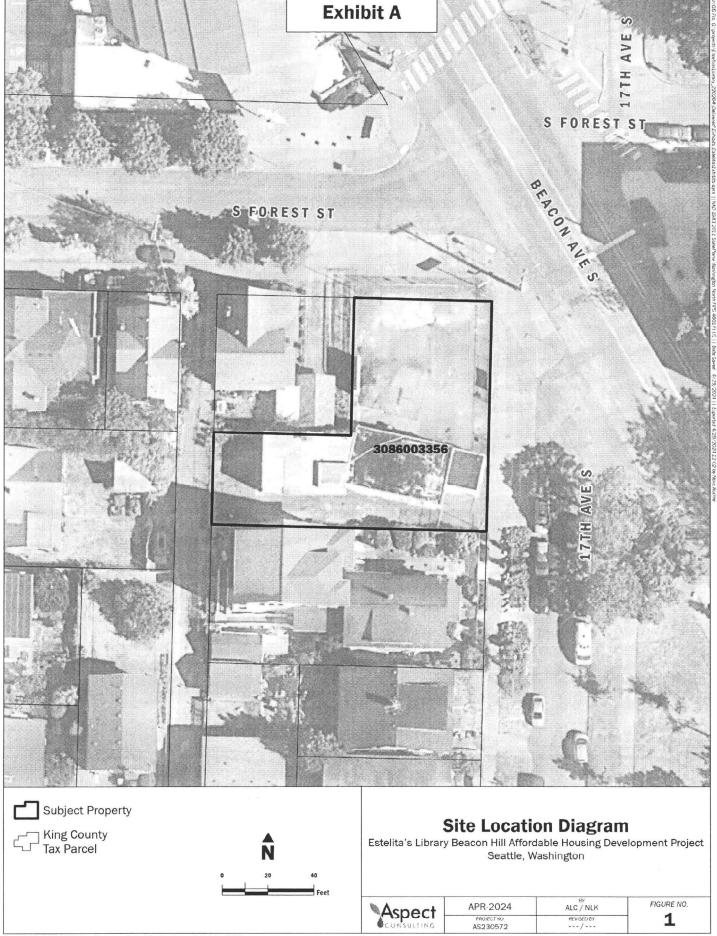
# XXIX. EFFECTIVE DATE

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

#### XXX. WITHDRAWAL OF CONSENT

If the Court withholds or withdraws its consent to this Decree, it shall be null and void at the option of any party and the accompanying Complaint shall be dismissed without costs and without prejudice. In such an event, no party shall be bound by the requirements of this Decree.

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# **EXHIBIT B**

# **LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

The East 60 feet of Lot 5 and the North 40 feet of Lot 6, Block 53, T. Hanford's Addition to South Seattle, according to the plat thereof recorded in Volume 1 of Plats, page 141, in King County, Washington.

Situated in the City of Seattle, County of King, State of Washington.

Abbreviated Legal:

Ptn Lts 5 & 6, Blk 53, T. Hanford's Add. to South Seattle

Parcel No.:

308600-3356-05

Address:

2901 17th Avenue South, Seattle, Washington, 98144

#### **EXHIBIT C**

#### SCOPE OF WORK AND SCHEDULE

#### Scope of Work

Pursuant to the Prospective Purchaser Consent Decree (PPCD), Estelita's Library, a Washington not-for-profit corporation (Estelita's) will complete investigation and cleanup activities for the Site in accordance with the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) Regulation (Washington Administrative Code [WAC] 173-340) subject to Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) review and approval. Following completion of the final Remedial Investigation (RI) and Feasibility Study (FS) and selection of a final cleanup alternative presented in a final Cleanup Action Plan (CAP), Estelita's will implement the remedy.

Estelita's shall coordinate with Ecology throughout preparation of the RI, FS, interim action (if required), draft CAP, and implementation of the cleanup, and shall keep Ecology informed of changes to any Work Plan or other project plans, and of any issues as they develop. The Scope of Work (SOW) is divided into eight major tasks as follows:

- Task 1. Remedial Investigation Work Plan
- Task 2. Remedial Investigation
- Task 3. Interim Action(s) (if required)
- Task 4. Feasibility Study
- Task 5. State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Compliance
- Task 6. Public Participation
- Task 7. Draft Cleanup Action Plan
- Task 8. Implementation of Final Cleanup Action Plan

# Task 1. Remedial Investigation Work Plan

Estelita's shall utilize data already obtained prior to entry of the PPCD and shall prepare a Remedial Investigation Work Plan (Work Plan). The Work Plan shall include an overall description and schedule of all RI activities. The Work Plan shall clearly describe the project management strategy for implementing and reporting on RI activities. The responsibility and authority of all organizations and key personnel involved in conducting the RI will be outlined.

A Key Project Meeting will be held prior to submittal of the RI Work Plan. The purpose of the Remedial Investigation Planning Meeting is to review requirements for the Work Plan and plan Remedial Investigation field work, discuss the preliminary Conceptual Site Model, and identify project data needs and possible interim actions.

The Work Plan shall describe general facility information; site history and conditions; including previous operations; past field investigations, including any data collection and analysis of soils, air, groundwater, and soil gas; a conceptual site model showing contaminants, migration pathways in all environmental media, and potential receptors; geology and groundwater system characteristics; past, current, and future land use; identification of natural resources and ecological receptors; hazardous substances and their sources, etc., in compliance with WAC 173-340-350 and WAC 173-204-550.

As part of the project background, existing environmental data on site soils, air, groundwater, and soil gas will be compiled and evaluated for data gaps. The data gaps will be used as the basis for conducting additional site investigations. The Work Plan will also identify specific data collection procedures in a Sampling and Analysis Plan (SAP) and Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) as part of the Work Plan in compliance with WAC 173-340-820 and WAC 173-204-600 for defining the nature and extent of contamination. Estelita's will also submit a copy of the Health and Safety Plan (HASP) for the project in compliance with WAC 173-340-810. Estelita's will also work with Ecology to prepare any plans required for cultural resource protection in compliance with WAC 173-340-815.

The SAP will identify the proposed number and location of all environmental samples, methods and media, including soil borings, groundwater monitoring wells, approximate depths, and include a quality assurance project plan. The SAP will describe the sampling objectives, the rationale for the sampling approach (based upon the identified data gaps), and plans for data use, and shall provide a detailed description of sampling tasks. The SAP shall describe specifications for sample identifiers; sampling equipment; the type, number, and location of samples to be collected; the analyses to be performed; descriptions of sampling equipment and methods to be used; sample documentation; sample containers, collection and handling; data and records management; and schedule.

The Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) will be prepared in accordance with the Guidance for Preparation of Quality Assurance Project Plans, EPA Region 10, Quality Data Management Program, QA/R-5 and requirements of the EPA Contract Laboratory Program. The QAPP will also follow Ecology's Guidelines for Preparing Quality Assurance Project Plans for Environmental Studies (July 2004). Laboratories must meet the accreditation standards established in WAC 173-50. Data quality objectives will reflect the criteria or threshold values used for the source control evaluation.

The SAP, including the QAPP, will be submitted to Ecology for review and approval. As with all environmental work at the site, work may not begin without written approval from Ecology. The plan shall provide seven (7) days notice to Ecology prior to beginning sampling. Ecology may obtain split samples.

Estelita's or their contractors shall submit all new sampling data generated under this SAP and any other recently collected data to Ecology for entry into the Environmental Information Management System (EIM) in accordance with WAC 173-340-840(5) and Ecology's Toxics Cleanup Program Policy 840: Data Submittal Requirements. EIM data submittal will occur 30 days after data is validated.

RI Work Plan tasks and subtasks may include the following:

- Sampling and analysis of soil, groundwater, soil gas and indoor air;
- Drilling, well installation, and sample collection in City-owned rights-of-way and adjacent or adjoining properties;
- Transmissivity evaluation of light non-aqueous phase liquid (LNAPL).

Estelita's will provide Ecology with an Agency Review Draft Work Plan. Once Ecology reviews and approves the Work Plan, it will be considered the Final Work Plan. The Work Plan shall not be implemented until approved by Ecology. Once approved by Ecology, Estelita's will implement the Final Work Plan according to the schedule contained in this Exhibit.

Estelita's shall submit the Agency Review Draft RI Work Plan electronically in Word (.doc) and Adobe (.pdf) formats, to Ecology for review and comment. After incorporating Ecology's comments on the Agency Review Draft Work Plan and after Ecology approval, Estelita's shall submit the Final Work Plan electronically in Word (.doc) and Adobe (.pdf) formats, to Ecology. Once approved by Ecology, Estelita's will implement the Final RI Work Plan according to the schedule contained in this Exhibit.

### Task 2. Remedial Investigation

Estelita's shall conduct an RI that meets the requirements of WAC 173-340-350 and WAC 173-204-550 according to the Work Plan as approved by Ecology. The RI will determine the nature and extent of contamination exceeding preliminary Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) cleanup levels and other regulatory requirements. The RI must provide sufficient data and information to define the nature and extent of contamination.

The RI must meet the substantive requirements of MTCA and shall accomplish the following objectives:

 Further evaluate nature and extent of petroleum-based contamination in soil, soil gas, indoor air, and groundwater on, beneath and originating from the C L Auto Repair Site, including adjacent properties and City of Seattle rights-of-way (Site).

- Delineate the lateral and vertical extent of petroleum contamination in soil, groundwater and soil gas at and in the vicinity of the Site.
- Assess potential for vapor intrusion of COCs to buildings on the Property and within the boundaries of the Site, including measurements of COC concentrations in sub-slab soil vapor and indoor air in the buildings, if necessary.
- Evaluate subsurface utilities and their role as preferential pathways for potential contamination migration.
- Determine the nature and extent of contamination at the Site and develop an updated Conceptual Site Model, including the establishment of cleanup standards.

Field sampling and analysis will be completed in general accordance with the SAP and QAPP. Deviation(s) from the approved SAP and QAPP must be communicated to Ecology immediately and documented as required by Ecology.

Estelita's shall provide interim data reports and updates to Ecology as new site data and information become available. Laboratory analysis data shall also be provided in electronic format when it has been validated. Raw laboratory data will be provided to Ecology upon request.

Prior to submittal of the Agency Review Draft RI Report, a Key Project Meeting will be held. During the Remedial Investigation Pre-Report Check-In, Ecology and Estelita's will review available data and an updated conceptual site model and discuss the content and organization of the Draft RI Report.

Estelita's shall compile the results of the Site investigation into an Agency Review Draft RI Report. Estelita's shall submit the Agency Review Draft RI Report electronically in Word (.doc) and Adobe (.pdf) formats, to Ecology for review and comment.

After incorporating Ecology's comments on the Agency Review Draft RI Report, Estelita's shall submit a Public Review Draft RI Report electronically in Word (.doc) and Adobe (.pdf) formats, to Ecology for distribution and public comment. Electronic survey data for monitoring locations, electronic lab data, and GIS maps of contaminant distribution shall also be provided for both the Agency Review Draft RI Report and Public Review Draft RI Reports either in the report or as attachments. The RI Report will not be considered Final until after a public review and comment period.

If the data collected during this investigation is insufficient to define the nature and extent of contamination, and/or to select a cleanup action plan an additional phase of investigation shall be conducted to define the extent of contamination. The scope and schedule of any such

additional necessary assessment will be discussed with and approved by Ecology and may be performed concurrently with other remedial activities.

# Task 3. Interim Actions (if required)

Remedial actions implemented prior to completion of the RI/FS, including those that:

- are technically necessary to reduce a threat to human health or the environment by eliminating or substantially reducing one or more pathways for exposure to a hazardous substance;
- correct a problem that may become substantially worse or cost substantially more to address if the remedial action is delayed; or
- are needed to provide for completion of the remedial investigation/feasibility study or design of the cleanup action.

The above will be considered interim actions, which will be implemented in accordance with WAC 173-340-430 and the PPCD, and will be designed in a manner that will not foreclose reasonable alternatives for any final cleanup action that may be required.

As detailed in the PPCD, if required by Ecology, or if proposed by Estelita's and approved by Ecology, Estelita's will implement an interim action. Based upon information in the Agency Review Draft RI Report, interim action(s) may be needed to expedite control of releases to environmental media pursuant to WAC 173-340-430.

The scope of the interim actions may include, but not be limited to, typical source control or containment elements such as:

- Soil removal
- LNAPL removal
- Groundwater remediation
- Repair, slip lining, replacement, or closure of stormwater conveyances or other structures such as conduit, vaults, catch basins, etc.
- Removal of underground storage tanks and pipes
- Proper abandonment of old wells
- Removal of contaminated building or other structural material
- Construction of a treatment facility

# Task 4. Feasibility Study

Estelita's shall use the information obtained in the RI to prepare an Agency Review Draft Feasibility Study (FS) that meets the applicable requirements of WAC 173-340-351 according to the Schedule in this exhibit. The Agency Review Draft FS will evaluate remedial alternatives for site cleanup, consistent with MTCA requirements to ensure protection of human health and the environment by eliminating, reducing, or otherwise controlling risk posed through each exposure pathway and migration route. The Agency Review Draft FS may be combined with the Agency Review Draft RI.

Prior to beginning the FS, a Key Project Meeting will be held to review Applicable or Relevant and Appropriate Requirements (ARARs), potential remedial alternatives and establish points of compliance. This Key Project Meeting may be combined with the Task 1. Key Project Meeting.

The FS must meet the substantive requirements of MTCA and shall accomplish the following objectives:

- Develop cleanup options (including potential interim actions) for affected media at the Site and evaluate the cleanup options through a Feasibility Study.
- Present the results to Ecology for review and applicable public comment.

The Agency Review Draft FS must include a detailed analysis of each remedial alternative according to the applicable requirements of WAC 173-340-351 and 173-204-550. The remedial alternatives will be evaluated for compliance with the applicable requirements of WAC 173-340-360 and 173-204-570.

The remedial alternative that is judged to best satisfy the evaluation criteria will be identified. Justification for the selection will be provided, and the recommended remedial alternative further developed, in the FS Report.

Estelita's shall submit the Agency Review Draft FS electronically in Word (.doc) and Adobe (.pdf) formats, to Ecology for review. After addressing Ecology's comments on the Agency Review Draft FS, Estelita's shall submit the Public Review Draft FS electronically in Word (.doc) and Adobe (.pdf) formats, to Ecology for distribution and public comment. The Public Review Draft FS may be combined with the Public Review Draft RI Report. The FS will not be considered Final until after a public review and comment period.

# Task 5. SEPA compliance

Estelita's shall be responsible for complying with the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Rules including preparing and submitting an environmental checklist. If the result of the threshold determination is a determination of significance (DS), Estelita's shall be responsible for the preparation of Draft and Final environmental impact statements. Estelita's shall assist Ecology with coordinating SEPA public involvement requirements with MTCA public involvement requirements whenever possible, such that public comment periods and meetings or hearings can be held concurrently.

# Task 6. Public Participation

Estelita's shall support Ecology in presenting the Public Review Draft RI Report and the Public Review Draft FS Reports and SEPA evaluations at public meetings or hearing. Estelita's will assist Ecology with presentations at any additional meetings or hearings that might be necessary for SEPA compliance or as part of the Public Participation Plan.

After the public comment periods are completed, Estelita's shall work with Ecology to respond to public comments. At Ecology's direction, Estelita's will prepare an Agency Review Draft Responsiveness Summary that addresses public comments. Estelita's shall submit the Agency Review Draft Responsiveness Summary to Ecology for review and approval, electronically in Word (.doc) and Adobe (.pdf) formats, to Ecology for distribution and public comment.

After addressing Ecology's comments and after Ecology approval, Estelita's shall submit the Final Responsiveness Summary to Ecology for distribution, electronically in Word (.doc) and Adobe (.pdf) formats.

## Task 7. Draft Cleanup Action Plan

Upon Ecology approval of the Final Remedial Investigation Report and Final Feasibility Study, a Key Project Meeting will be held regarding the Cleanup Action Plan. The Cleanup Action Plan Meeting will be used to review plans for developing the Agency Review preliminary Draft Cleanup Action Plan (DCAP).

Estelita's shall prepare an Agency Review preliminary DCAP in accordance with WAC 173-340-380 that provides a proposed remedial action to address the contamination present on the Site. The preliminary DCAP shall include a general description of the proposed remedial actions, cleanup standards developed from the RI/FS and rationale regarding their selection, a schedule for implementation, description of any institutional controls proposed, and a summary of applicable local, state, and federal laws pertinent to the proposed cleanup actions.

Estelita's will submit an Agency Review preliminary DCAP for Ecology's review and approval. The Agency Review preliminary DCAP will include, but not be limited to, the information listed under WAC 173-340-380. Estelita's shall submit the Agency Review preliminary DCAP electronically in Word (.doc) and Adobe (.pdf) formats, along with all supporting electronic files, to Ecology for review and approval.

After receiving Ecology's comments on the Agency Review preliminary DCAP, if any, Estelita's shall revise the preliminary DCAP to address Ecology's comments and submit Public Review DCAP electronically in Word (.doc) and Adobe (.pdf) formats.

## Task 8. Implementation of Final Cleanup Action Plan

The Parties intend that Ecology will select a final Site remedy in a final CAP (fCAP) and that Estelita's will conduct additional remedial actions pursuant to and consistent with the fCAP.

When Estelita's has obtained sufficient funds to implement the final CAP at the Site, the Parties shall revise this Scope of Work and Schedule as necessary to govern such additional remedial action(s). The Parties understand that the Site consists of multiple areas and that Estelita's is currently only purchasing and redeveloping a specific parcel within the Site.

Ecology may authorize parcel-specific redevelopment and remedial action where such redevelopment and remedial action implements the fCAP for that portion of the Site, the redevelopment and remedial action is consistent with, will not preclude, complicate, or render more expensive the final Site-wide cleanup action in the CAP, and that the redevelopment and remedial action will not result in recontamination at the Site.

A cleanup action report (CAR) will be prepared following successful implementation of the fCAP. Schedule for delivery of the cleanup action report will be dictated in the fCAP.

#### **EXHIBIT D**

#### LIST OF APPLICABLE OR RELEVANT AND APPROPRIATE REQUIREMENTS

The MTCA (Chapter 70A.305 Revised Code of Washington [RCW]) requires that cleanup actions comply with applicable state and federal laws (WAC 173-340-360(2)(a)(iii)), which include legally applicable requirements, as well as requirements that the department determines are relevant and appropriate. Applicable or relevant and appropriate regulations and/or cleanup requirements that must be considered in the selection and implementation of the cleanup action may include:

- The Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA)
- Washington Hazardous Waste Management Act (Chapter 70A.300 RCW)
- Federal and state Clean Air Acts (42 USC 7401 et seq.; 40 CFR 50; RCW 70.94; WAC 173-400, 403) and Puget Sound Clean Air Agency Regulations
- The State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) (RCW 43.21C; WAC 197-11)
- Occupational Safety and Health Administration and Washington Industrial Safety and Health Act regulations (29 CFR 1910.120; Chapter 296-62 WAC) governing worker safety during cleanup action execution.
- Washington Industrial Safety and Health Act (WISHA) and Washington Department of Labor and Industries Regulations, Chapter 296 WAC, including Safety Standards for Construction Work (Chapter 296-155 WAC)
- Washington State Water Well Construction Regulations (Chapter 173-160 WAC) regulating groundwater well installation and decommissioning as part of the cleanup action.
- Washington State Water Quality Standards for Groundwater (WAC 173-200)
- Washington Dangerous Waste Regulations (Chapter 173-303 WAC) would apply if
  dangerous wastes are generated, and United State Department of Transportation and
  Washington State Department of Transportation regulations regarding transport of
  hazardous materials (49 Code of Federal Regulations [CFR] Parts 171-180) would apply if
  regulated material is transported off-site as part of the cleanup action.
- If construction-generated dewatering water or stormwater from the cleanup action is discharged to surface waters of the State of Washington, such discharge would need to comply with requirements of a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Construction Stormwater General Permit (CSGP).
- Underground Injection Control Program (Chapter 173-218 WAC) which governs
  discharge of fluids from underground injection control (UIC) injection wells to protect
  groundwater.
- The Archeological and Historical Preservation Act (16 USCA 496a-1) would be applicable if any subject materials are discovered during grading and excavation activities.

If an interim action is to be performed, Estelita's will prepare and submit for Ecology approval an Agency Review Draft Interim Action Work Plan (IAWP) with detail commensurate with the work to be performed. The Agency Review Draft IAWP shall include, as appropriate:

- Description of the interim action including its purpose, general requirements, and relationship to the (final) cleanup action (to the extent known);
- Summary of relevant RI/FS information, including at a minimum existing site conditions and alternative interim actions considered;
- Information regarding design and construction requirements, including a proposed schedule and personnel roles and responsibilities;
- Compliance Monitoring Plan;
- SAP/QAPP
- Permits required.

Estelita's will also submit a copy of the Health and Safety Plan for the project. Estelita's will also work with Ecology to prepare any plans required for cultural resource protection in compliance with WAC 173-340-815. Estelita's will be responsible for complying with the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Rules including preparing and submitting an environmental checklist for the interim action, and will assist Ecology with presentations at any additional meetings or hearings that might be necessary for SEPA compliance or as part of the Public Participation Plan.

Estelita's shall submit the Agency Review Draft Interim Action Work Plan electronically in Word (.doc) and Adobe (.pdf) formats, to Ecology for review. Estelita's shall incorporate Ecology's comments and then submit the Public Review Draft Interim Action Work Plan electronically in Word (.doc) and Adobe (.pdf) formats, to Ecology. After a public notice and comment period for the Public Review Draft IAWP (and SEPA determination), Ecology will approve the IAWP (if appropriate) and the document will be considered Final. Estelita's shall submit the Final Interim Action Work Plan electronically in Word (.doc) and Adobe (.pdf) formats. Once approved by Ecology, Estelita's will implement the interim action according with the approved schedule.

Upon successful completion of the work, an Agency Review Draft Interim Action Report will be prepared as a separate deliverable. Estelita's shall submit the Agency Review Draft Interim Action Report electronically in Word (.doc) and Adobe (.pdf) formats, to Ecology for review and approval. After incorporating Ecology's comments on the Agency Review Draft Interim Action Report and after Ecology approval, Estelita's shall submit the Final Interim Action Report electronically in Word (.doc) and Adobe (.pdf) formats, to Ecology.

Interactions with Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP), including Cultural Resources Consultations, have occurred for the Site as required by Grant Agreement nos. OTGP-2023-EstLib-00017 and TCPAHP-2325-EstLib-00008, and additional interactions with DAHP will be required by future grant agreements.

- Guidance for Evaluating Vapor Instruction in Washington State
- Permits from local municipalities as required for activities at the Site. Examples include King County and City of Seattle permits for sewer discharges, and City of Seattle grading permits, street-use permits, or shoreline permits.
- Work at the Site conducted under a Grant and Loan Agreement with the state of Washington, Department of Ecology will be subject to the general terms and conditions for Department of Ecology Grants and Loans.

# Proposed Scope and Schedule of Deliverables\*

Following is the proposed scope and schedule following completion of the PPCD. If the date for submission of any item or notification required by this Schedule of Deliverables occurs on a weekend or a state / federal holiday, then the date for submission of that item or notification shall be extended to the next business day. Where a deliverable due date is triggered by Ecology notification, comments or approval, the starting date for the period shown is the date Estelita's received such notification, comments or approval. Where triggered by Ecology receipt of a deliverable, the starting date for the period shown is the date Ecology receives the deliverable in the form requested by Ecology.

If requested by Estelita's and approved by Ecology, the RI and FS reports may be combined into one document. Upon Ecology's approval of the request, the schedule will be amended to reflect the change.

Note that documents are considered to be Agency Review Drafts until Ecology has approved them as Final.

Deliverables	Target Completion Timelines
File Consent Decree in Court (CD Effective	Within 30 days of execution by Estelita's and
Date)	Ecology
Quarterly Progress Reports	Due the 10th of every month, beginning after
	the first full quarter following the effective
	date of the PPCD but no sooner than 10 days
	after the effective date of a grant agreement
Agency Review Draft RI Work Plan	60 calendar days following the effective date
	of a grant agreement that includes grant
	funding sufficient for the completion of the RI
	and FS.
Revised Agency Review RI Work Plan	45 calendar days following receipt of Ecology
	comments on the Agency Review Draft RI
	Work Plan. The document will be considered
	"Final" upon Ecology's approval.
Completion of RI Field Work	12 months following Ecology approval of the
	RI Work Plan
Agency Review Draft RI Report	90 calendar days following receipt of all
	validated laboratory data
Public Review Draft RI Report	45 calendar days following receipt of Ecology
	comments on Agency Review Draft RI Report.
	The document will be considered completed
	for public review upon Ecology's approval.
Final RI Report	30 calendar days following the end of the
	public comment period. This document will

	incorporate any changes resulting from public
	comments.
Agency Review Draft FS	90 days following completion of Public
	Review Draft RI Report
Public Review Draft FS	45 calendar days following receipt of
	Ecology's comments on the Agency Review
	draft FS. The document will be considered
	completed for public review upon Ecology's
	approval.
Final FS Report	30 calendar days following the end of the
	public comment period. This document will
9	incorporate any changes resulting from public
	comments.
Agency Review Preliminary DCAP	90 calendar days following Ecology approval
	of the Final RI and FS Reports
Public Review DCAP	45 calendar days following receipt of
	Ecology's comments on the Agency Review
	Preliminary DCAP. The document will be
	considered completed for public review upon
	Ecology's approval.
SEPA Checklist	As appropriate
Agency Review Responsiveness Summary	30 days following completion of public
	comment period
Final Responsiveness Summary	30 days following Ecology approval of Agency
	Review Responsiveness Summary
Final CAP	60 days following submittal of Final
	Responsiveness Summary
Draft Engineering Design Report as outlined	As defined in the Final CAP Schedule
in the Final CAP	

<sup>\*</sup>Ecology and Estelita's may request revisions or amendments to the schedule of work based on the availability of grant funding for the performance of remedial activities for the Site.