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Re: Partial Approval of Request for Extension for Short-term Interim Action Work Plan (STIAWP) at the following Hazardous Waste Site:

- **Site Name: Spokane International Airport PFAS**
- **Site Address: 9000 W. Airport Dr., Spokane, WA 99204**
- **Cleanup Site ID: 16774**
- **Facility/Site ID: 6332493**

Dear Lisa Corcoran, Marlene Feist, and Ben Brattebo:

On February 17, 2026, the Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) received a letter from the City of Spokane (City) and Spokane County (County) requesting an extension for submitting the draft short-term interim action work plan (STIAWP) and another letter from the Spokane International Airport (SIA) Board on February 18, 2026. Both letters requested an additional 30-day period beyond the 14-day period allotted in the emergency interim action scope of work and schedule.

Ecology appreciates the discussion we had in our meeting with SIA, the City, and the County this morning where the significant efforts expended thus far toward producing the STIAWP were presented. We recognize the 14-day period originally identified in the 2024 Enforcement Order to produce an emergency interim action work plan was aggressive. Given the scope of the 2026 emergency interim action requirements and the City's and the County's recent inclusion in the project, we agree it is not practical.

During our meeting today, we learned of several resource expenditures Ecology does not believe are necessary for the completion of the STIAWP. Primarily, the ongoing technical evaluation and preparation of materials to apparently contest the Ecology-identified areal extent of required emergency interim actions *does not* work toward expediently addressing the current threat to human health. In addition, Ecology believes it is unnecessary to include a final well-by-well sampling and water provision prioritization list in the STIAWP; rather, a description of the prioritization process should be included in the STIAWP and implemented after the document is finalized. To meet the deadlines required by the Agreed Order, Enforcement Order, and this schedule extension, Ecology strongly suggests efforts to develop the STIAWP are concentrated on addressing the components detailed in the emergency interim action scope of work, which includes developing a schedule for implementing the short-term interim action components we discussed today: bottled water or point-of-use (POU) treatment for residences not already served by the Washington Department of Health (DOH) and private well sampling within the interim action area. After DOH completes their planned installations of POU systems, SIA, the City, and the County are responsible for providing replacement cartridges and maintaining or replacing systems as necessary until point-of-entry treatment systems are installed.

Based on Ecology's review of the information in the extension request letters and the content of this morning's discussion, we approve a 24-day extension for submitting the STIAWP. The draft STIAWP is now due on March 20, 2026. This letter serves as the official response to the extension request initiated pursuant to Section 8.10 of the Agreed Order No. DE 24355 with the City and County. Ecology will follow up this letter with a minor amendment to Enforcement Order No. DE 22584 with SIA as soon as possible.

In response to requests from SIA, the City, and the County, Ecology is amenable to meeting to discuss the technical basis for the areal extent of required emergency interim actions once the STIAWP is finalized.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or the requirement to implement emergency interim actions, please contact me at 509-724-1164 or at jeremy.schmidt@ecy.wa.gov.

Sincerely,



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