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**Re: Additional deep monitoring well request, Eastside Fire & Rescue Remedial Investigation**

**Site Name:** Eastside Fire & Rescue HQ & Issaquah Valley Elementary School  
**Site Address:** 175 Newport Way NW Issaquah, WA 98027  
**Cleanup Site ID:** 16581  
**Facility Site ID:** 83936264/ 87761647

Dear Emily Moon and Fire Chief Will Aho:

Thank you again for taking the time to meet with the Department of Ecology (Ecology), Sammamish Plateau Water District (SPWD), and their consultants regarding the installation of a deep groundwater monitoring well in the vicinity of the two utilities' production wells. As previously discussed, Ecology believes that there is a potential contaminant flowpath to the SPWD wells east of the Issaquah well field. That flowpath may have been reduced by the temporary cessation of pumping at SPWD production Wells 7 and 8, but future renewed pumping is likely to again create or enhance a contaminant flowpath or plume modification.

Ecology has considered your response to our previous request and has determined that the installation of an additional Deep Aquifer monitoring well between City of Issaquah production

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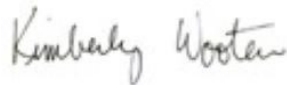
Wells 4 and 5 and SPWD production Wells 7 and 8 and two sampling events from this well are required as part of the Remedial Investigation for the site. Data from this well are necessary to provide additional characterization on the extent of the contaminant plume in the vicinity of groundwater extraction, critical information for completing the Conceptual Site Model prior to evaluating remedial alternatives.

Existing wells COI-MW04 and RBNMW01, referenced in Farallon's April 8, 2026 response letter, are completed in the intermediate waterbearing zone and are not screened at a sufficient depth to characterize groundwater within the deep waterbearing zone elevation. We expect this new well to provide important information throughout the remainder of the cleanup process at the site, allowing us to monitor contaminant fate and transport within the deep aquifer to evaluate long-term efficacy of remedial solutions and protect groundwater resources.

This additional well will require a task revision to Remedial Investigation Grant OTGP-2025-EFR-00086. We request that you prepare a scope amendment and cost estimate for the work and submit them to the site manager and grants manager for review.

Should you have any questions, please contact the site manager, Vance Atkins, at (425) 324-1438 or [vance.atkins@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:vance.atkins@ecy.wa.gov).

Sincerely,



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