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September 18, 2012

Harold Norlund, Resident Mill Manager Nippon Paper Industries USA Co., Ltd. P. O. Box 271 Port Angeles, WA 98362

RE: Determination of Potentially Liable Person Status

Dear Mr. Norlund:

On August 6, 2012 the Department of Ecology (Ecology) sent you written notice regarding your proposed status as a potentially liable person (PLP) for a release of hazardous substances at the following site:

• Name: Western Port Angeles Harbor

• Address: Port Angeles, WA

• Facility/Site No.: 18898

• Cleanup Site No.: 11907

The 30-day comment period on this preliminary notice expired on September 5, 2012.

We have received and evaluated your comments dated September 10, 2012. Based on the information available to date, Ecology finds that credible evidence exists which supports your status as a potentially liable person for the release at Western Port Angeles Harbor Site. On the basis of this finding, Ecology has determined that you are a Potentially Liable Person (PLP) with regard to Western Port Angeles Harbor Site.

Your rights and responsibilities as a PLP are outlined in Chapter 70.105D RCW, and WAC 173-340. Ecology's site manager for the facility, Connie Groven, will contact you with information about how Ecology intends to proceed with the cleanup at this site.

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact Connie Groven at (360) 570-8144.

Sincerely,

Rebecca S. Lawson, P.E., LHG

Southwest Region Office Section Manager

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