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May 23, 1995 CERTIFIED MAIL P 245 797 289

Dan Hesse Yakima County Public Works Room 408, County Courthouse Yakima, WA 98901

RE: Determination of Potentially Liable Person Status

Dear Mr. Hesse:

On April 26, 1994 the Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) sent you written notice regarding Yakima County's proposed status as a potentially liable person for a release of hazardous substances at Cascade Natural Gas, 512 East Decatur, Sunnyside, WA. The 30 day comment period on this preliminary notice expired on May 26, 1994.

We have received and evaluated your comments. Based on the information available to date, the Ecology finds that credible evidence exists which supports your status as a potentially liable person for the release at Cascade Natural Gas. On the basis of this finding, the Ecology has determined that Yakima County is a Potentially Liable Person (PLP) with regard to the Cascade Natural Gas Facility, Sunnyside, Washington.

As of this date, Ecology has also named Cascade Natural Gas Corporation as a PLP at the site.

Your rights and responsibilities as a PLP are outlined in Chapter 70.105D RCW. Ecology's site manager for the facility, Donald Abbott, 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 Donald Abbott at (509) 454-7834.

Sincerely,

Anthony W. Grover

Section Manager

Toxics Cleanup Program .

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