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Craig Root Tree Fruit Research and Extension Center 1100 North Western Avenue Wenatchee, WA 98801

SUBJECT: **No Further Action Determination** for WA WSU Tree Fruit Research and Extension Center – Test Plot Area, Wenatchee, Washington (FS #344)

## Dear Craig:

Ecology's Toxics Cleanup Program has reviewed the following information regarding the independent cleanup of the WSU Tree Fruit Research and Extension Center, Test Plot Area, located at 1100 North Western Avenue, Wenatchee, Washington:

- 1. U.S. EPA, August 2000, <u>Innovations in Site Characterization</u>, <u>Case Study</u>: <u>Site Cleanup of the Wenatchee Tree Fruit Test Plot Site Using a Dynamic Work Plan</u>.
- 2. Gary Struthers Associates, Inc., August 10, 1998, <u>"Final Report, Wenatchee TFREC Test Plot Remediation, Wenatchee, Washington.</u>
- 3. Gary Struthers Associates, Inc., February, 1998, "Draft Final Report, Wenatchee TFREC Test Plot Remediation, Wenatchee, Washington.
- 4. Gary Struthers Associates, Inc., August 1997, <u>"Final Remedial Action Management Plan (RAMP)</u>, Wenatchee Tree Fruit Research Center Test Plot Remediation, Wenatchee, Washington.
- 5. Gary Struthers Associates, Inc., July 25, 1997, "Draft Remedial Action Management Plan (RAMP), Wenatchee Tree Fruit Research Center Test Plot Remediation, Wenatchee, Washington
- 6. Wilson, Howard, U.S.EPA-ORD, July 10, 1997, Finding of No Significant Impact for the EPA Pesticide Contamination Cleanup at Wenatchee, Washington
- 7. Wilson, Howard, U.S.EPA-ORD, July 10, 1997, <u>DRAFT Finding of No Significant Impact for the EPA Pesticide Contamination Cleanup at Wenatchee</u>, Washington
- 8. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Seattle District, December 13, 1996, <u>Final</u> Remediation Plan fort the test plot at the Wenatchee Tree Fruit Research Center, <u>Wenatchee</u>, <u>Washington</u>.
- 9. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Seattle District, June 3, 1996, <u>Draft Remediation Plan</u> fort the test plot at the Wenatchee Tree Fruit Research Center, Wenatchee, Washington.
- 10. Ecology and Environment, Inc., October 4, 1994, <u>WSU Tree Fruit Research Center Site Assessment</u>

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- 11. PRC Environmental, July 10, 1992, Final Inspection Report WSU-WTFREC.
- 12. PRC Environmental, July 20, 1990, Final Preliminary Assessment, WSU-WTFREC.
- 13. U.S. EPA, Region 10, Work Assignment for the Wenatchee Pesticides Lab PA/SI.

The above listed reports will be kept in the Central Files of the Central Regional Office (CRO) of Ecology for review by appointment only. Appointments can be made by calling the CRO resource contact at (509) 575-2490.

Based upon the above listed information Ecology has determined that, at this time, the release of pesticide contamination into the soil no longer exists and thus does not pose a threat to human health or the environment. Ecology has further determined that the remedial actions taken to remediate the pesticide contaminated soil in the former **Wenatchee Tree Fruit Research and Extension Center Test Plot Area** have met the substantive requirements of Washington Administrative Code 173-340, the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) Cleanup Regulation.

Therefore, Ecology is issuing this determination that no further remedial action is necessary at this site under MTCA, chapter 70.105D of the Revised Code of Washington (RCW). However, please note that because your actions were not conducted under a consent decree with Ecology, this letter is not a settlement by the state under RCW 70.105D.040(4).

Ecology will update its database to reflect this "No Further Action" determination and will begin the process to remove the site from the Hazardous Sites List.

Ecology does not assume any liability for any release, threatened release or other conditions at the site, or for any actions taken or omitted by any person or his/her agents or employees with regard to the release, threatened release, or other conditions at the site.

Please feel free to call me at (509) 454-7834 if you have questions.

Sincerely,

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