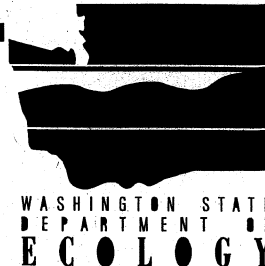


EVERGREEN FUEL COMPANY



Agreed Order for RI/FS, Interim Action Proposed

The Washington Department of Ecology, Chevron, and CC Cole and Sons (doing business as Evergreen Fuel Company) have agreed to a Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA, Chapter 70.105D RCW) order to conduct an interim action and remedial investigation/feasibility study (RI/FS) of petroleum-contaminated soil and potentially-contaminated groundwater at the Evergreen Fuel Company site. Covich-Williams Company, a fuel distributor, did not sign the agreed order. The agreed order is a legal document formalizing an agreement between Ecology and potentially liable persons (PLP's), to ensure that proposed site cleanup activities are conducted in a timely fashion, in accordance with MTCA and other applicable laws and regulations.

Your comments on this proposed agreed order are welcome through **May 3, 2004**. The box to the right provides information about where to review the agreed order, as well as where to submit comments.

Site Background

The one-acre Evergreen Fuel Company site is located at 661 East Pine Street. The site is bounded to the north by State Route 3, to the east and south by Shelton Yacht Club and Oakland Bay, and to the west by Simpson Timber Company property. The

site is an active bulk fuel storage plant with a warehouse, office building, about 5 above ground petroleum storage tanks, an overhead tanker truck fueling station, and boat launch. As recently as 1992, three above ground petroleum storage tanks were on the west side of Highway 3 and five above ground petroleum storage tanks (with containment) were on the east side of Highway 3. In 1976, there were seven above ground petroleum storage tanks on the west side of Highway 3. Sometime after April 1987, another above ground storage tank was added on the east side of Highway 3. The site was owned and operated by Standard Oil (now Chevron) from 1913 until May 1980. It is currently owned and operated by CC Cole and Sons (doing business as Evergreen Fuel Company).

Between 1973 and 2003, there were several documented petroleum spills from the site to soil, groundwater, and eventually to surface water (Oakland Bay). One of these spills occurred in March 2003, when Covich-Williams Company was off-loading No. 2 diesel (home heating oil) to a 27,000-gallon above ground storage tank and the tank was overfilled. The diesel spilled within the containment area (which has a porous soil floor), down the side of the tank into the containment area, and also splashed over the containment wall and then into Oakland Bay.

April 2004

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PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ON AGREED ORDER:

April 2, 2004 to May 3, 2004

Comments and requests for updates should be directed to Bob Warren, Site Manager, at the Ecology address listed above, e-mailed to rwar@ecy.wa.gov, or call (360) 407-6361.

INFORMATION REPOSITORIES

The agreed order can be reviewed at the following locations:

www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/sites_information.html

www.ecy.wa.gov, then click on "Public Events Calendar"

Ecology Southwest Regional Office address listed above

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If you have special accommodation needs, please call (360) 407-6300, (360) 407-6306 (TDD), 711, or 1-800-833-6388 (TTY).

What Is Being Done?

The agreed order requires Chevron and CC Cole and Sons to take the following interim actions:

- ▶ remove and dispose of petroleum-contaminated soil;
- ▶ prevent further migration of groundwater contamination, if groundwater is discovered to be contaminated;
- ▶ monitor groundwater monthly for a year.

The agreed order also requires Chevron and CC Cole and Sons to conduct a remedial investigation/feasibility study (RI/FS) of petroleum-contaminated soil and potentially-contaminated groundwater and sediment. This will include sampling for lead (from leaded gasoline), volatile petroleum compounds, fuel additives and blending compounds, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB's), and volatile organic compounds (VOC's). The remedial investigation will determine the nature, extent, and magnitude of site contamination. The feasibility study will evaluate site cleanup alternatives. After Ecology approves the RI/FS, a draft cleanup action plan is required by the agreed order. Ecology will oversee implementation of the agreed order to ensure that all parts of the agreed order are fulfilled.

What Happens Next?

Public comment on the proposed agreed order will be considered and the order will be modified, if necessary, based on the comments received. The work for the interim action should be completed by Summer 2005. The work for the remedial investigation/feasibility study should be completed by Spring 2006. Further formal

public comment opportunities will occur after the remedial investigation/feasibility study are completed and a draft cleanup action plan is prepared.

Ecology Wants Your Comments!

You are invited to review and comment on the proposed agreed order through **May 3, 2004**. The public comment period presents an opportunity to have your ideas and comments heard by Ecology. Information repositories, which include the agreed order, have been set up at the locations listed in the box on page one. To review more detailed site documents than those in the information repositories, contact Ecology's Southwest Regional Office records center at (360) 407-6365 to schedule an appointment.

Please submit your written comments to Bob Warren, Site Manager, at the Ecology address listed in the box on page one. Ecology will review and respond to all comments received, and may revise the agreed order. Updates of site activities will be provided to those who submit comments or request to be placed on the site mailing list. (If you received this fact sheet directly from Ecology, you are already on the site mailing list.)

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