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May 30, 2002

Mr. John Vornbrock  
Yakima Valley Memorial Hospital  
2811 Tieton Drive  
Yakima, WA 98902

RE: Voluntary Cleanup Review, North Star Lodge, 808 North 39th Avenue, Yakima, Washington, Facility Site ID 55484252 (VCP #CE0133)

Dear Mr. Vornbrock:

Thank you for submitting the results of your independent remedial action(s) for review by the State of Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology). Ecology appreciates your initiative in pursuing this administrative option under the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA).

Ecology's Toxics Cleanup Program has reviewed the following information regarding the North Star Lodge, 808 North 39th Avenue, Yakima, Washington:

1. Restrictive Covenant filed May 9, 2002
2. Voluntary Remediation Report North Star Lodge, Fulcum Environmental, March 25, 2002

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 Roger Johnson, CRO resource contact, at (509) 454-7658.

Based upon the above listed information Ecology has determined that, at this time, the release of lead/arsenate into the soil no longer poses a threat to human health or the environment for Parcels 42406, 42407, and 42408. This determination is not applicable to parcel 42414 used for placement of contaminated soil and restricted as part of the covenant filed to run with the property. It should be clear that Parcel 42414 has not been remediated and future site remediation/development is required to be coordinated with Ecology as required by the covenant.

Therefore, Ecology is issuing this determination that no further remedial action is necessary at this site under MTCA, chapter 70.105D RCW. However, please note that because your actions were not conducted under a consent decree with Ecology, this letter is written pursuant to RCW 70.105D.030(1)(i) and does not constitute a settlement by the state under RCW 70.105D.040(4) and is not binding on Ecology.

Ecology's no further action determination is made only with respect to the lead/arsenate release



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identified in the subject reports. It does not apply to any other release or potential release at the property, any other areas on the property, nor any other properties owned or operated by Yakima Valley Memorial Hospital.

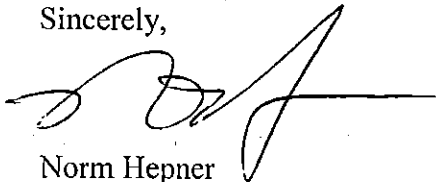
Ecology will upgrade its database to reflect this "No Further Action" determination. The state, Ecology, and its officers and employees are immune from all liability and no cause of action of any nature may arise from any act or omission in providing this determination.

This completes your review through the Ecology Voluntary Cleanup Program. Any overages in your deposit account will be forwarded to you for this site from our Fiscal Office.

Ecology will be contacting you for permission to conduct a post remediation review of your site in September 2002 to better understand the practicality and effectiveness of a 6" soil barrier layer for remediation of lead/arsenic. The site visit would include non-destructive sampling for lead/arsenic in the landscape areas. Again, we will be asking your permission to conduct this review and requests your cooperation in furthering our understanding of lead/arsenic remediation.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (509) 457-7127.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Norm Hepner', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Norm Hepner  
Site Manager - Environmental Engineer  
Toxics Cleanup Program

cc: Travis Trent, Fulcrum Environmental  
Frosti Smith, VCP Coordinator