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Bill Horat
Portal Way Farm and Garden
6100 Portal Way
Ferndale, WA 98248

Re: SITE HAZARD ASSESSMENT: Facility Site # 59526565
A & H Auto Dismantlers
1887 Newkirk Road, Ferndale, WA 98248
Tax Parcel # 390220 298518
Cleanup Site # 4181

Dear Mr. Horat:

The Whatcom County Health Department is writing to inform you that the above referenced property was subject to a site hazard assessment (SHA) as required under the Model Toxics Control Act, in May 2014. The site was determined to be contaminated with arsenic, cadmium, lead, benzene, ethylbenzene, methylene chloride, and xylenes. The site's hazard ranking, an estimation of the potential threat to human health and/or the environment relative to all other Washington state sites assessed at this time, has been determined by the Department of Ecology to be a 5, where a 1 represents the highest relative risk and 5 the lowest.

For your information, Ecology will be publishing the ranking of this and other recently assessed sites, in the August, 2014 Hazardous Sites List. The hazard ranking will be used in conjunction with other considerations in determining Ecology's priority for future action at this site.

For inquiries regarding what may occur with your site now that it is on Ecology's Hazardous Sites List please contact Donna Musa at 425-649-7136 or donna.musa@ecy.wa.gov

Sincerely,

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