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STATE OF V	WASHINGTON	
DEPARTMENT	r of ecology	,

No. 94TC-S167

CONSENT DECREE

PORT OF TACOMA

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- In entering into this Consent Decree (Decree), the mutual objective of the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) and The Port of Tacoma (Defendant) is to provide for remedial action on the southern 10.73 acres of the property located at the Cascade Timber No. 3 Log Yard in Tacoma, WA (the "Site") where there has been a release or threatened release of hazardous substances (Exhibits A and B). This Decree requires the Defendant to undertake the following remedial action(s) which are discussed in more detail in Section VI:
  - The Defendant shall perform the remedial actions (1)specified in detail in the Cleanup Action Plan (Exhibit C) and the Scope of Work (Exhibit D). These ( exhibits are incorporated by reference and are integral and enforceable parts of this Decree.
  - Record with the property deed the attached Declaration (2) of Restrictive Covenant (Exhibit E) limiting the Site to industrial uses and ensuring that future development is consistent with strength and permeability limitations or any other functional, operational, or maintenance related limitations of the Site remedial action.

Ecology has determined that these actions are necessary to protect public health and the environment.

The Complaint in this action is being filed simultaneously with this Decree. An answer has not been filed,

- C. In signing this Decree, the Defendant agrees to its entry and agrees to be bound by its terms.
- D. By entering into this Decree, the parties do not intend to discharge nonsettling parties from any liability they may have with respect to matters alleged in the complaint. The parties retain the right to seek reimbursement, in whole or in part, from any liable persons for sums expended under this Decree.
- E. This Decree shall not be construed as proof of liability or responsibility for any releases of hazardous substances or cost for remedial action nor an admission of any facts; provided, however, that the Defendant shall not challenge the jurisdiction of Ecology in any proceeding to enforce this Decree.
- F. The Court is fully advised of their reasons for entry of this Decree, and good cause having been shown: IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED AS FOLLOWS:

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- A. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter and over the parties pursuant to Chapter 70.105D RCW, the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA).
- B. Authority is conferred upon the Washington State Attorney General by RCW 70.105D.040(4)(a) to agree to a settlement with any potentially liable person if, after public notice and hearing, Ecology finds the proposed settlement would lead to a more expeditious cleanup of hazardous substances. RCW 70.105D.040(4)(b) requires that such a settlement be entered as a consent decree issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- c. Ecology has determined that a release or threatened release of hazardous substances has occurred at the Site which is the subject of this Decree. Ecology has further determined that the release is causing contamination of surface water and will continue to cause contamination unless the release is remediated.
- D. Ecology has given notice to the Defendant, as set forth in RCW 70.105D.020(8), of Ecology's determination that the Defendant is a potentially liable person for the Site and that there has been a release or threatened release of hazardous substances at the Site.
- E. The actions to be taken pursuant to this Decree are necessary to protect public health, welfare, and the environment.

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F. Defendant has agreed to undertake the actions specified in this Decree and consents to the entry of this Decree under the MTCA.

### III. PARTIES BOUND

This Decree shall apply to and be binding upon the signatories to this Decree (parties), their successors and assigns. The undersigned representative of each party hereby certifies that he or she is fully authorized to enter into this Decree and to execute and legally bind such party to comply with the Decree. Defendant agrees to undertake all actions required by the terms and conditions of this Decree and not to contest state jurisdiction regarding this Decree. No change in ownership or corporate status shall alter the responsibility of the Defendant under this Decree. Defendant shall provide a copy of this Decree to all agents, contractors and subcontractors retained to perform work required by this Decree and shall ensure that all work undertaken by such contractors and subcontractors will be in compliance with this Decree.

#### IV. DEFINITIONS

Except for as specified herein, all definitions in WAC 173-340-200 apply to the terms in this Decree.

A. <u>Property</u>: The Property, previously known as the Cascade Timber No. 3 log yard, is located along Maxwell Way between Port of Tacoma Road and Thorne Road, Tacoma, Washington. The property is owned by the Port of Tacoma and consists of two

distinct sub-parcels; the northern 7.84 acres, and the southern 10.73 acres.

- B. <u>Site</u>: Refers to the southern 10.73-acre portion of the property which is subject to this Decree. The Site is further described in Exhibit A, a detailed site diagram, and Exhibit B, a legal description, attached and hereby incorporated as part of this Decree.
- C. <u>Parties</u>: Refers to the Washington State Department of Ecology and the Port of Tacoma.
  - D. <u>Defendant</u>: Refers to the Port of Tacoma.
- E. <u>Consent Decree</u> or <u>Decree</u>: Refers to this Consent Decree and each of the exhibits to the Decree. All exhibits are integral and enforceable parts of this Consent Decree. The terms "Consent Decree" or "Decree" shall include all Exhibits to the Consent Decree.

#### V. <u>STATEMENT OF FACTS</u>

Ecology makes the following finding of facts without any express or implied admissions by Defendant.

1. The Port is the owner of an 18.57 acre parcel of land known as the Cascade Timber No. 3 Log Sort Yard (or "the property"). The property is located along Maxwell Way, Thorne Road, and Port of Tacoma Road in Tacoma, Washington. The property consists of two distinct sub-parcels; the northern 7.84 acres and the southern 10.73 acres (Exhibit A).

- 2. From 1967 through June 1978, Nichiman America, Inc., leased the southern 10.73 acres of the property for use as a log sort yard.
- 3. From 1978 through 1984, Cascade Timber Company leased the southern 10.73 acres of the property for use as a log sort yard.
- 4. Between January and March of 1982, slag generated by ASARCO, Incorporated (Inc.) was placed on the southern 10.73 acres of the property by Cascade Timber Company for use as ballast material.
- 5. In 1984, the northern 7.84 acres of the property was developed.
- 6. From 1984 through 1987, Cascade Timber Company leased the property (or the entire 18.57 acres) for use as a log sort yard.
  - 7. The property has not been used since early 1987.
- 8. It appears that runoff water that leaves the property is conveyed via City of Tacoma storm drains to the Sitcum Waterway.
- 9. Ecology collected two surface water samples from the southern 10.73 acres of the property between November 1983 and June 1984 (Norton D. and Johnson A., 1985). The highest concentrations of metals measured from this sampling program were as follows: arsenic (As) 1,750 micrograms per liter (ug/L), copper (Cu) 138 ug/L, lead (Pb) 69 ug/L, zinc (Zn) 293 ug/L, nickel (Ni) 18 ug/L, antimony (Sb) 8 ug/L, and cadmium

(Cd) 0.5 ug/L (see Exhibit C). The levels of arsenic, zinc, and copper exceeded Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) marine water quality acute and chronic criteria. The levels of nickel and lead exceeded marine water quality acute criteria.

Additionally, the level of copper exceeded marine water acute criteria and the level of zinc exceeded marine water acute and chronic criteria for surface waters of the State of Washington (WAC 173-201-047).

- 10. In the 1985 study, Norton and Johnson conclude that in all probability the use of slag for ballast at log sort yards was the major source of elevated metals concentrations seen in log sort yard runoff, nearshore surface waters, and sediments.
- 11. On January 5, 1990, Ecology took samples of standing water from the southern 10.73 acres of the property. One of the samples showed elevated levels of arsenic (2,340 ug/L), copper (445 ug/L), zinc (972 ug/L), and lead (120 ug/L). The levels of arsenic, copper, zinc, and lead in this sample exceeded the EPA marine water quality chronic criteria; and arsenic, copper, and zinc exceeded EPA marine water quality acute criteria. Additionally, copper exceeded EPA marine water quality acute criteria, lead exceeded marine water chronic criteria, and zinc exceeded marine water acute and chronic criteria for surface waters of the State of Washington (WAC 173-201A).
- 12. On April 10, 1991, Ecology took samples of storm water runoff from within a catch basin at the southern perimeter (Thorne Road) of the property. Runoff from the property

travelled toward this particular catch basin. Sample results showed the following: arsenic (As) 560 parts per billion (ppb), copper (Cu) 160 ppb, lead (Pb) 320 ppb, and zinc (Zn) 868 ppb. The levels of arsenic, copper, zinc, and lead in this sample exceeded the EPA marine water quality chronic and acute criteria. Additionally, arsenic and copper exceeded marine water quality acute criteria, and lead and zinc exceeded marine water quality acute and chronic criteria for surface waters of the State of Washington (WAC 173-201-047).

13. On April 10, 1991, Ecology took samples of storm water

- 13. On April 10, 1991, Ecology took samples of storm water runoff flowing from the property towards a catch basin at the southwest corner, near the intersection of Thorne Road and Maxwell Way. Sample results showed the following: As 730 ppb, Cu 160 ppb, Pb 88 ppb, Zn 350 ppb. Arsenic, copper, and zinc exceeded EPA marine water quality chronic and acute criteria, and lead exceeded EPA marine water quality chronic criteria. Lead and zinc exceeded marine water quality acute and chronic criteria and copper exceeded marine water quality acute criteria for surface waters of the State of Washington (WAC 173-201-047).
- 14. On April 16, 1991, Ecology took a sediment sample from a catch basin near the southwest corner of the property. The catch basin that was sampled collects runoff from the Cascade Timber No. 3 sort yard only. The sample obtained was tested for As, Cu, Pb, and Zn. Test results indicate that the level of arsenic in this sample (400 mg/kg) exceeded Puget Sound Marine

- 15. Information in Ecology files indicates that elevated levels of heavy metals at this property are linked to the use of ASARCO slag as ballast.
- Sort Yards as Metals Sources to Commencement Bay Waterways.

  November 1983 June 1984 reported elevated levels of heavy
  metals in surface water runoff from the property and in Sitcum
  Waterway sediment. These metals included arsenic, copper, zinc, and lead.
- 17. Results of a Tetra Tech study, conducted for Ecology and EPA, titled <u>Commencement Bay/Nearshore Tideflats Feasibilit</u>

  <u>Study validated the earlier findings of Ecology. Tetra Tech researchers found arsenic, copper, zinc, and lead in the waters and sediment in the Sitcum waterway. The Tetra Tech study defined arsenic, copper, lead, and zinc as problem chemicals in the Sitcum Waterway.</u>
- 18. The property is located within the boundaries of the Commencement Bay/Nearshore Tideflats Superfund Site. The Site, as well as other sites that drain to the Sitcum Waterway, are suspected sources of elevated metals detected in bottom sediments of the Sitcum Waterway.
- 19. Defendant has provided Ecology with the following submittals per Agreed Order No. DE 91-S199:
  - A. "Draft Remedial Investigation Report," April 6, 1993.

C. "Draft Characterization of Petroleum Hydrocarbons in Soil," June 3, 1993.

These documents were finalized pursuant to Ecology review on August 13, 1993 (Petroleum Hydrocarbons in soil), and August 16, 1993 (RI/FS).

- 20. Results of the RI/FS concluded that elevated levels of metals in soil and stormwater were found only on the southern 10.73 acres of the property. No metals above background concentrations were measured on the northern 7.84 acres of the property. Based on these facts, the "Site" requiring cleanup was re-defined (from Agreed Order No. DE 91-S199) to consist of the southern 10.73 acres of the property.
- 21. A draft Cleanup Action Plan (CAP) for the Site was issued for thirty (30) day public review on August 13, 1993, and finalized on September 28, 1993. The final CAP specifies the Selected Cleanup Action and Remedial Action Objectives, including Site cleanup levels. The CAP is based on Remedial Investigation Report and Feasibility Study Report findings.
- 22. The Port of Tacoma has entered into a federal consent decree (Federal Decree) for the Commencement Bay Nearshore/
  Tideflats Superfund Site; Sitcum Waterway Problem Area. This
  Federal Decree is also signed by the State of Washington in its
  capacity as a natural resource trustee. The Federal Decree
  settles the Natural Resource Damage (NRD) liability for all land

owned, operated, or managed by the Port, including the site subject to this Decree.

#### VI. WORK TO BE PERFORMED

This Decree contains a program designed to protect public health, welfare and the environment from the known release, or threatened release, of hazardous substances or contaminants at, on, or from the Site.

- A. The Defendant shall perform the remedial actions specified in detail in the Cleanup Action Plan (Exhibit C) and the Scope of Work (Exhibit D). These exhibits are incorporated by reference and are integral and enforceable parts of this Decree. A summary of the work program to be performed is as follows:
  - (1) Cap the Site in accordance with the plans specified in the Ecology-approved Engineering Design Report.
  - (2) Inspect and maintain the cap in accordance with the Ecology-approved Operation and Maintenance Plan.
  - (3) Monitor surface water and groundwater in accordance with the Ecology-approved Monitoring Plan.
  - (4) Defendant agrees not to perform any remedial actions outside the scope of this decree unless the parties agree to amend the scope of work to cover these actions. All work conducted under this decree shall be done in accordance with ch. 173-340 WAC unless otherwise provided herein.

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Within 20 days of completion of paving, the Defendant (5) shall record a restrictive covenant (Exhibit E) in the title records to that portion of the property underlying the Site over which Defendant holds fee The restrictive covenant shall limit the Site title. to industrial uses, and ensure that future development is consistent with the strength and permeability limitations or any other functional, operational, or maintenance related limitations of the Site remedial action. The Defendant shall forward a filed copy of the restrictive covenant to Ecology within 10 days of receiving a filed copy from the Pierce County Auditor.

#### VII. DESIGNATED PROJECT COORDINATORS

The project coordinator for Ecology is:

Dom Reale, Remedial Action Engineer Department of Ecology Southwest Regional Office P. O. Box 47775 Olympia, Washington 98504-7775

The project coordinator for the Defendant is:

Suzanne Dudziak Port of Tacoma P. O. Box 1837 Tacoma, WA 98401-1837

Each project coordinator shall be responsible for overseeing the implementation of this Decree. The Ecology project coordinator will be Ecology's designated representative To the maximum extent possible, communications at the Site. between Ecology and the Defendant and all documents, including reports, approvals, and other correspondence concerning the CONSENT DECREE

activities performed pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Decree, shall be directed through the project coordinators. The project coordinators may designate, in writing, working level staff contacts for all or portions of the implementation of the remedial work required by this Decree. The project coordinators may agree to minor modifications to the work to be performed without formal amendments to this Decree. Minor modifications will be documented in writing by Ecology.

Any party may change its respective project coordinator. Written notification shall be given to the other parties at least ten (10) calendar days prior to the change.

## VIII. PERFORMANCE

All work performed pursuant to this Decree shall be under the direction and supervision, as necessary, of a professional engineer or hydrogeologist, or equivalent, with experience and expertise in hazardous waste site investigation and cleanup. Any construction work must be under the supervision of a professional engineer. Defendant shall notify Ecology in writing as to the identity of such engineer(s) or hydrogeologist(s), or others and of any contractors and subcontractors to be used in carrying out the terms of this Decree, in advance of their involvement at the Site.

## IX. ACCESS

Ecology or any Ecology authorized representatives shall have the authority to enter and freely move about all property at the Site at all reasonable times for the purposes of, inter (

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alia: inspecting records, operation logs, and contracts related to the work being performed pursuant to this Decree; reviewing Defendant's progress in carrying out the terms of this Decree; conducting such tests or collecting such samples as Ecology may deem necessary; using a camera, sound recording, or other documentary type equipment to record work done pursuant to this Decree; and verifying the data submitted to Ecology by the Defendant. Upon request, Ecology shall split any samples taken during an inspection unless the Defendant fails to make available a representative for the purpose of splitting samples. All parties with access to the Site pursuant to this paragraph shall comply with approved health and safety plans.

## SAMPLING, DATA REPORTING, AND AVAILABILITY

With respect to the implementation of this Decree, Defendant shall make the results of all sampling, laboratory reports, and/or test results generated by it, or on its behalf available to Ecology and shall submit these results in accordance with Section XI of this Decree.

If requested by Ecology, Defendant shall allow split or duplicate samples to be taken by Ecology and/or its authorized representatives of any samples collected by Defendant pursuant to the implementation of this Decree. Unless otherwise agreed to by the parties, Defendant shall notify Ecology seven (7) calendar days in advance of any sample collection or work activity at the Site. Ecology shall, upon request, allow split or duplicate samples to be taken by Defendant or authorized

representatives of any samples collected by Ecology pursuant to the implementation of this Decree provided it does not interfere with the Department's sampling. Without limitation on Ecology's rights under Section IX, Ecology shall endeavor to notify Defendant prior to any sample collection activity.

## XI. PROGRESS REPORTS

Defendant shall submit to Ecology written monthly progress reports until construction is complete. The progress reports shall describe the actions taken during the previous month to implement the requirements of this Decree. The progress report shall include the following:

- A. A list of on-site activities related to this order that have taken place during the month;
- B. Detailed description of any deviations from required tasks not otherwise documented in project plans or amendment requests;
- C. Description of all deviations from the schedule (Exhibit D) during the current month and any planned deviations in the upcoming months;
- D. For any deviations in schedule, a plan for recovering lost time and maintaining compliance with the schedule;
- E. All raw data (including laboratory analyses) received by the Defendant during the past month and an identification of the source of the sample; and
- F. A list of deliverables for the upcoming month if different from the schedule.

All progress reports shall be submitted by the tenth day of the month in which they are due after the effective date of this Decree. Unless otherwise specified, progress reports and any other documents submitted pursuant to this Decree shall be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to Ecology's project coordinator.

## XII. RETENTION OF RECORDS

Defendant shall preserve, during the pendency of this

Decree and for ten (10) years from the date this Decree is no

longer in effect as provided in Section XXV, all records,

reports, documents, and underlying data in its possession

relevant to the implementation of this Decree and shall insert

in contracts with project contractors and subcontractors a

similar record retention requirement. Upon request of Ecology,

Defendant shall make all non-archived records available to

Ecology and allow access for review. All archived records shall

be made available to Ecology within a reasonable period of time.

## XIII. TRANSFER OF INTEREST IN PROPERTY

No voluntary or involuntary conveyance or relinquishment of title, easement, leasehold, or other interest in any portion of the Site not previously described in this Consent Decree shall be consummated without provision for continued operation and maintenance of any containment system, stormwater collection system, and monitoring system installed or implemented pursuant to this Decree.

Prior to transfer of any legal or equitable interest in allow or any portion of the property not previously described in this Consent Decree, and during the effective period of this Decree, Defendant shall serve a copy of this Decree upon any prospective purchaser, lessee, transferee, assignee, or other successor in interest of the property; and, at least twenty (20) days prior to any transfer, Defendant shall notify Ecology of said contemplated transfer.

## XIV. RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES

- A. In the event a dispute arises as to an approval, disapproval, proposed modification or other decision or action by Ecology's project coordinator, the parties shall utilize the dispute resolution procedure set forth below.
- (1) Upon receipt of the Ecology project coordinator's decision, the Defendant shall have fourteen (14) calendar days within which to notify Ecology's project coordinator of its objection to the decision.
- (2) The parties' project coordinators shall then confer in an effort to resolve the dispute. If the project coordinators cannot resolve the dispute within fourteen (14) calendar days, Ecology's project coordinator shall issue a written decision.
- (3) Defendant may then request Ecology management review of the decision. This request shall be submitted in writing to the Toxics Cleanup Program Manager within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of Ecology's project coordinator's decision.

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- (4) Ecology's Toxics Cleanup Program Manager shall conduct a review of the dispute and shall issue a written decision regarding the dispute within thirty (30) calendar days of the Defendant's request for review. The Program Manager's decision shall be Ecology's final decision on the disputed matter.
- B. If Ecology's final written decision is unacceptable to Defendant, Defendant has the right to submit the dispute to the Court for resolution within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt of Ecology's decision. The parties agree that one judge should retain jurisdiction over this case and shall, as necessary, resolve any dispute arising under this Decree. In the event Defendant presents an issue to the Court for review, the Court shall review the action or decision of Ecology on the basis of whether such action or decision was arbitrary and capricious and render a decision based on such standard of review.
- C. The parties agree to only utilize the dispute resolution process in good faith and agree to expedite, to the extent possible, the dispute resolution process whenever it is used. Where either party utilizes the dispute resolution process in bad faith or for purposes of delay, the other party may seek sanctions.

Implementation of these dispute resolution procedures shall not provide a basis for delay of any activities required in this Decree, unless Ecology agrees in writing to a schedule extension or the Court so orders.

### XV. AMENDMENT OF CONSENT DECREE

This Decree may only be amended by a written stipulation among the parties to this Decree that is entered by the Court or by order of the Court. Such amendment shall become effective upon entry by the Court. Agreement to amend shall not be unreasonably withheld by any party to the Decree.

Defendant shall submit any request for an amendment to Ecology for approval. Ecology shall indicate its approval or disapproval in a timely manner after the request for amendment is received. If the amendment to the Decree is substantial, Ecology will provide public notice and opportunity for comment. Reasons for the disapproval shall be stated in writing. If Ecology does not agree to any proposed amendment, the disapproval shall be dispute resolution procedures described in Section XIV of this Decree.

### XVI. EXTENSION OF SCHEDULE

A. An extension of schedule shall be granted only when a request for an extension is submitted in a timely fashion, generally at least 30 days prior to expiration of the deadline for which the extension is requested, and good cause exists for granting the extension. All extensions shall be requested in writing. The request shall specify the reason(s) the extension is needed.

An extension shall only be granted for such period of time as Ecology determines is reasonable under the circumstances. A requested extension shall not be effective until approved by

- B. The burden shall be on the Defendant to demonstrate to the satisfaction of Ecology that the request for such extension has been submitted in a timely fashion and that good cause exists for granting the extension. Good cause includes, but is not limited to, the following.
  - (1) Circumstances beyond the reasonable control and despite the due diligence of Defendant including delays caused by unrelated third parties or Ecology, such as (but not limited to) delays by Ecology in reviewing, approving, or modifying documents submitted by Defendant; or
  - (2) Acts of God, including fire, flood, blizzard, extreme temperatures, storm, or other unavoidable casualty; or
  - (3) Endangerment as described in Section XVII.
  - (4) Agreement by both parties to the extension.

However, neither increased costs of performance of the terms of the Decree nor changed economic circumstances shall be considered circumstances beyond the reasonable control of Defendant.

C. Ecology may extend the schedule for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days, except where a longer extension is needed as a result of:

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- (1) Delays in the issuance of a necessary permit which waapplied for in a timely manner; or
- (2) Other circumstances deemed exceptional or extraordinary by Ecology; or
- (3) Endangerment as described in Section XVI.

Ecology shall give Defendant written notification in a timely fashion of any extensions granted pursuant to this Decree.

## XVII. ENDANGERMENT

In the event Ecology determines that activities implementing or in noncompliance with this Decree, or any other circumstances or activities, are creating or have the potential to create a danger to the health or welfare of the people on th Site or in the surrounding area or to the environment, Ecology may order Defendant to stop further implementation of this Decree for such period of time as needed to abate the danger or may petition the Court for an order as appropriate. During any stoppage of work under this section, the obligations of Defendant with respect to the work under this Decree which is ordered to be stopped shall be suspended and the time periods for performance of that work, as well as the time period for any other work dependent upon the work which is stopped, shall be extended, pursuant to Section XVI of this Decree, for such period of time as Ecology determines is reasonable under the circumstances.

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In the event Defendant determines that activities undertaken in furtherance of this Decree or any other circumstances or activities are creating an endangerment to the people on the Site or in the surrounding area or to the environment, Defendant may stop implementation of this Decree for such period of time necessary for Ecology to evaluate the situation and determine whether Defendant should proceed with implementation of the Decree or whether the work stoppage should be continued until the danger is abated. Defendant shall notify Ecology's project coordinator as soon as possible, but no later than twenty-four (24) hours after such stoppage of work, and 11 thereafter provide Ecology with documentation of the basis for 12 the work stoppage. If Ecology disagrees with the Defendant's 13 determination, it may order Defendant to resume implementation 14 of this Decree. If Ecology concurs with the work stoppage, the Defendant's obligations shall be suspended and the time period 16 for performance of that work, as well as the time period for any 17 other work dependent upon the work which was stopped, shall be 18 extended, pursuant to Section XVI of this Decree, for such 19 period of time as Ecology determines is reasonable under the 20 circumstances. Any disagreements pursuant to the clause shall be resolved through the dispute resolution procedures in Section 22

XVIII. OTHER ACTIONS

Ecology reserves its rights to institute remedial action(s) at the Site and subsequently pursue cost recovery, and Ecology

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reserves its rights to issue orders and/or penalties or take any other enforcement action pursuant to available statutory authority under the following circumstances:

- (1) Where Defendant fails, after notice, to comply with any requirement of this Decree;
- (2) In the event or upon the discovery of a release or threatened release not addressed by this Decree;
- (3) Upon Ecology's determination that action beyond the terms of this Decree is necessary to abate an emergency situation which threatens public health or welfare or the environment; or
- (4) Upon the occurrence or discovery of a situation beyond the scope of this Decree as to which Ecology would be empowered to perform any remedial action or to issue an order and/or penalty, or to take any other enforcement action. This Decree is limited in scope to the geographic site described in Exhibit A and Exhibit B and to those contaminants which Ecology knows to be at the Site when this Decree is entered.

The Port of Tacoma has entered into a federal consent decree (Federal Decree) for the Commencement Bay

Nearshore/Tideflats Superfund site, Sitcum Waterway Problem Area
(Decree No. C93-5462B). This Federal Decree is also signed by the State of Washington in its capacity as a natural resource trustee. The Federal Decree settles the Natural Resource Damage

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(NRD) liability for all land owned, operated, or managed by the Port, including the site subject to this Decree.

Ecology reserves the right to take any enforcement action whatsoever, including a cost recovery action, against potentially liable persons not party to this Decree.

## XIX. <u>INDEMNIFICATION</u>

To the extent permitted by law, defendant agrees to indemnify and save and hold the State of Washington, its employees, and agents harmless from any and all claims or causes of action for death or injuries to persons or for loss or damage to property arising from or on account of acts or omissions of Defendant, its officers, employees, agents, or contractors in entering into and implementing this Decree. However, the Defendant shall not indemnify the State of Washington nor save nor hold its employees and agents harmless from any claims or causes of action arising out of the negligent acts or omissions of the State of Washington, or the employees or agents of the State, in implementing the activities pursuant to this Decree.

## XX. COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAWS

All actions carried out by Defendant pursuant to this

Decree shall be done in accordance with all applicable federal,

state, and local requirements, including requirements to obtain

necessary permits.

## XXI. REMEDIAL AND INVESTIGATIVE COSTS

The Defendant agrees to pay costs incurred by Ecology pursuant to this Decree. These costs shall include work

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performed by Ecology, the Department of Health, or Ecology's contractors under Chapter 70.105D RCW both prior to and subsequent to the issuance of this Decree for investigations, remedial actions, and Decree preparation, negotiations, oversight and administration. Ecology costs shall include costs of direct activities; e.g., employee salary, travel costs, laboratory costs, contractor fees, and employee benefit packages; and indirect costs of direct activities. Defendant agrees to pay the required amount within ninety (90) days of receiving from Ecology an itemized statement of costs that includes a summary of costs incurred, an identification of involved staff, and the amount of time spent by involved staff members on the project. A general statement of work performed and itemized statements will be provided by Ecology and shall be prepared quarterly. Failure to pay Ecology's costs within ninety (90) days of receipt of the itemized statement will result in interest charges.

Nothing in this section shall preclude Ecology or other federal, state or local governmental entities from seeking to recover other costs incurred by such entities for which Defendant is liable.

## XXII. IMPLEMENTATION OF REMEDIAL ACTION

If Ecology determines that Defendant has failed without good cause to implement the remedial action, Ecology may, after notice to Defendant, perform any or all portions of the remedial action that remain incomplete. If Ecology performs all or

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portions of the remedial action because of the Defendant's failure to comply with its obligations under this Decree, Defendant shall reimburse Ecology for the costs of doing such work in accordance with Section XXI, provided that Defendant is not obligated under this section to reimburse Ecology for costs incurred for work inconsistent with or beyond the scope of this Decree.

### XXIII. FIVE YEAR REVIEW

As remedial action continues at the Site, the parties agree to review the progress of remedial action at the Site, and to review the data accumulated as a result of Site monitoring as often as is necessary and appropriate under the circumstances. At least every five years the parties shall meet to discuss the status of the Site and the need, if any, of further remedial action at the Site. Ecology reserves the right to require further remedial action at the Site under appropriate circumstances. This provision shall remain in effect for the duration of the Decree.

### XXIV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Ecology shall maintain the responsibility for public participation at the Site. However, Defendant shall cooperate with Ecology and, if agreed to by Ecology, shall:

A. Prepare drafts of public notices and fact sheets at important stages of the remedial action, such as the submission of work plans and the completion of engineering design reports. Ecology will finalize (including editing if necessary) and

distribute such fact sheets and prepare and distribute public notices of Ecology's public presentations and meetings;

- B. Notify Ecology's project coordinator prior to the preparation of all press releases and fact sheets, and before major meetings with the interested public and local governments. Likewise, Ecology shall notify Defendant prior to the issuance of all press releases and fact sheets, and before major meetings with the interested public and local governments;
- C. Participate in public presentations on the progress of the remedial action at the Site. Participation may be through attendance at public meetings to assist in answering questions, or as a presenter;
- D. In cooperation with Ecology, arrange and/or continue information repositories to be located at Citizens for a Healthy Bay, 771 Broadway, Tacoma, and at Ecology's Southwest Regional Office at 7272 Cleanwater Lane, Olympia, Washington. At a minimum, copies of all public notices, fact sheets, and press releases; all quality assured ground water, surface water, soil sediment, and air monitoring data; remedial actions plans; supplemental remedial planning documents; and all other similar documents relating to performance of the remedial action required by this Decree shall be promptly placed in these repositories.

## XXV. <u>DURATION OF DECREE</u>

This Decree shall remain in effect and the remedial program described in the Decree shall be maintained and continued until the Defendant has received written notification from Ecology that the requirements of this Decree have been satisfactorily completed. After the Defendant concludes that Tasks 1 through 5 of Exhibit D of the remedial action have been performed, the Defendant may submit a written report to Ecology stating that the remedial action associated with Tasks 1 through 5 of Exhibit D have been completed in accordance with the requirements of this Decree and request that Ecology issue a written acknowledgment. If Ecology concurs that Tasks 1 through 5 of Exhibit D have been adequately completed, Ecology shall issue a written acknowledgment. Such letter may only be issued at the point in time when the only remaining actions required under this Decree are associated with operation and maintenance of the cap, stormwater system, and completion of long-term monitoring.

## XXVI. CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE

Defendant hereby agrees that it will not seek to recover any costs accrued in implementing the remedial action required by this Decree from the State of Washington or any of its agencies; and further, that the Defendant will make no claim against the State Toxics Control Account or any Local Toxics Control Account for any costs incurred in implementing this Decree. Except as provided above, however, Defendant expressly reserves the right to seek to recover any costs incurred in

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implementing this Decree from any other potentially liable person.

### XXVII. COVENANT NOT TO SUE

In consideration of Defendants' compliance with the terms and conditions of this Decree, the State convenants not to institute legal or administrative actions against Defendants regarding contamination covered by this Decree. Compliance with this Decree shall stand in lieu of any and all administrative, legal, and equitable remedies and enforcement actions available to the State against Defendants for the release or threatened release of hazardous substances covered by the terms of this Decree.

This covenant is strictly limited in its application to the Site specifically defined in Exhibit A and B and to those hazardous substances which Ecology knows to be located at the Site as of the entry of this Decree. This covenant is not applicable to any other hazardous substance or area and the State retains all of its authority relative to such substances and areas.

A. Reopeners: Notwithstanding the covenant given above, Ecology reserves the right to institute legal or administrative actions against Defendants seeking to require them to perform additional response actions at the site, and to pursue appropriate cost recovery in accordance with provisions set out in RCW 70.105D.050, under the following circumstances:

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- (1) If Defendants fail to meet the requirements of this Decree, including, but not limited to, failure of the remedial action to meet the cleanup standards identified in the Cleanup Action Plan (Exhibit C).
- (2) Upon Ecology's determination that action beyond the terms of this Decree is necessary to abate an imminent and substantial endangerment to public health or welfare or the environment.
- (3) In the event new information becomes available regarding factors previously unknown to Ecology, including the nature or quantity of hazardous substances at the Site, and Ecology determines, in light of this information, that further remedial action is necessary at the Site to protect human health or the environment, and Defendants, after notice, fail to take the necessary action with a reasonable time.
- B. Applicability. The Covenant Not to Sue set forth above shall have no applicability whatsoever to:
  - Criminal liability;
  - Liability for damages to natural resources;
  - 3. Any Ecology action against potentially liable persons not a party to this Decree, including cost recovery.

## XXVIII. CONTRIBUTION PROTECTION

Defendants shall not be liable for claims for contribution regarding matters addressed in this Consent Decree, pursuant to RCW 70.105D.040(4)(d).

### XXIX. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Decree is effective upon the date it is entered by the Court:

## XXX. PUBLIC NOTICE AND WITHDRAWAL OF CONSENT

This Decree has been the subject of public notice and comment under RCW 70.105D.040(4)(a). As a result of this process, Ecology has found that this Decree will lead to a more expeditious cleanup of hazardous substances at the Site.

If the Court withholds or withdraws its consent to this Decree, it shall be null and void at the option of any party and the accompanying Complaint shall be dismissed without costs and

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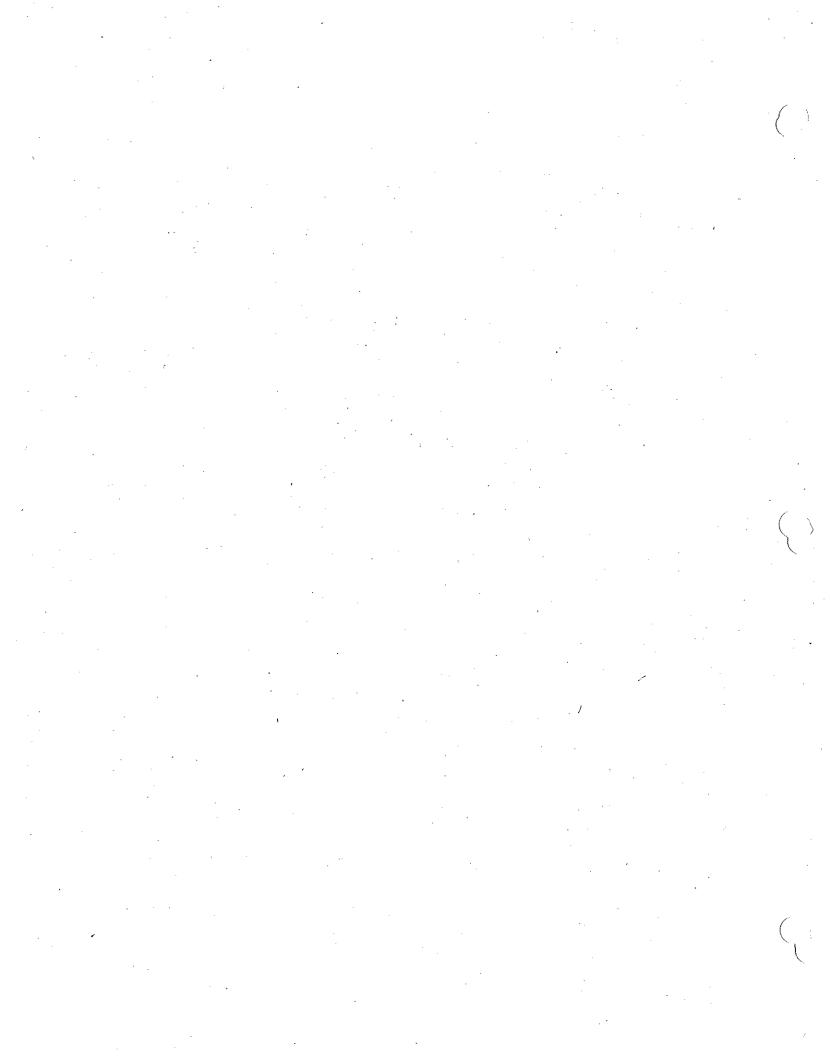
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. 1	without prejudice. In such an event, no party shall be bound by
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7	CAROL KRAEGE THOMAS C. MORRILL Program Manager WSBA #18388
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Cascade Timber No.3 Log Sort Yard FS 1206

## PORT OF TACOMA

## ENVIRONMENTAL DEPARTMENT

## Transmittal

To: <u>Dom Reale</u>		Date: _	9/17/96		
Department	of Ecology				
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ubject: Restrictive Covenant/Cascade Logyard #3					
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The property that is the subject of this Restrictive Covenant is the subject of remedial action under Chapter 70.105D RCW. The work done to clean up the property (hereafter the "Cleanup Action") is described in Washington State Department of Ecology Consent Decree No. 94TC-S167, and in attachments to the Decree. This Restrictive Covenant is required by WAC 173-340-440 because the Cleanup Action at the Site will result in residual concentrations of arsenic and lead which exceed Ecology's Method A cleanup levels for Industrial soil established under WAC 173-340-745.

The Port of Tacoma is the fee owner of real property known as the Cascade Timber No. 3 log sort yard in the County of Pierce, State of Washington of which 10.7 acres are referred to as the "Site" (legal description attached in Exhibit B of Consent Decree No. 94TC-S167).

As a result of the Cleanup Action, the Site will include a woodwaste, soil, and slag mixture which will be covered with a cap system equipped with a surface water collection system. The Site will also include monitoring wells.

The Port of Tacoma makes the following declaration as to limitations, restrictions, and uses to which the Site may be put, and specifies that such declarations shall constitute covenants to run with the land, as provided by law, and shall be binding on all parties and all persons claiming under them,

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including all current and future owners of any portion of or interest in the Site.

Section 1 The Site may be used only for Industrial uses as defined in and allowed under the City of Tacoma's Zoning Regulations codified in the Tacoma City Code as of the date of this Restrictive Covenant.

Section 2 Any activity on the Site that interferes with or reduces the effectiveness of the Cleanup Action or any operation, maintenance, monitoring, or other activity required by the Order (or any Ecology-approved modification or amendment to the Order) is prohibited. Any activity that would threaten the structural integrity of the cap is prohibited. Any activity on the Site that would result in the release of a hazardous substance that was contained as a part of the Cleanup Action is prohibited. It is understood that disturbance of the cap may be required in the future for installation of utilities or other activities associated with future industrial use of the site. The Port shall obtain approval from Ecology prior to initiating any disturbance of the cap stormwater drainage and/or monitoring system. Ecology shall not deny approval if the Port can show (1) that no releases of hazardous materials will occur; (2) integrity of the cap and stormwater drainage and monitoring systems will be restored to their original condition in a timely manner; and (3) that material will be handled and disposed of in accordance with State law. 9408020435

Section 3 The owner of the Site must give written notice to the Department of Ecology, or to a successor agency, of the owner's intent to convey any interest in the Site. No conveyance of title, easement, lease or other interest in the Site shall be consummated by the owner without adequate and complete provision for the continued operation, maintenance and monitoring of the Cleanup Action.

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Section 4 The owner shall allow authorized representatives of the Department of Ecology, or of a successor agency, the right to enter the Site at reasonable times for the purpose of evaluating compliance with the Cleanup Action Plan and the Order, to take samples, to inspect Cleanup Actions conducted at the Site, and to inspect records that are related to the Cleanup Action.

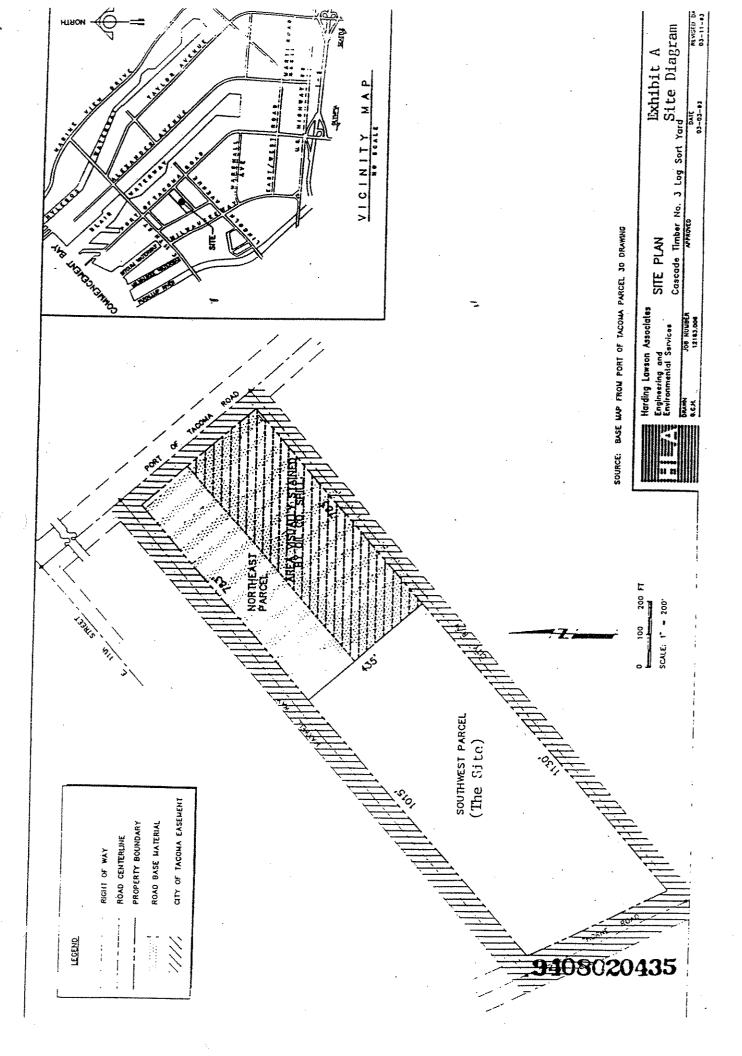
Section 5 The owner of the Site and owner's assigns and successors in interest reserve the right under WAC 173-340-730 and WAC 173-340-440 to record an instrument which provides that this Restrictive Covenant shall no longer limit the use of the Site or be of any further force or effect. However, such an instrument may be recorded only with the consent of the Department of Ecology or of a successor agency. The Department of Ecology or a successor agency may consent to the recording of such an instrument only after public notice and comment. The Port of Tacoma agrees to file this Restrictive Covenant in

the Site property deed with the Pierce County Auditor and provide the Department of Ecology with a filed copy.

of Tacoma

Jeffrey A. Lincoln

Sr. Dir. Facility Development



#### EXHIBIT B

# Description - Consent Decree Cascade Timber No. 3 Log Yard

A parcel of land situate in the Southeast Quarter of Section 34, Township 21 North, Range 3 East of the Willamette Meridian, County of Pierce, State of Washington and being more particularly described as follows:

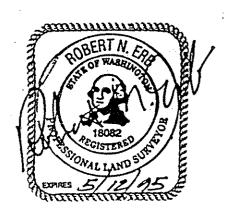
Lots 8 through 18 inclusive of Block 12 of the Port of Tacoma Industrial District First Addition as recorded in Volume 18 of Plats at Page 18.

Containing 10.73 acres, more or less.

Robert N. Erb, P.L.S.

Washington State Registration No. 18082

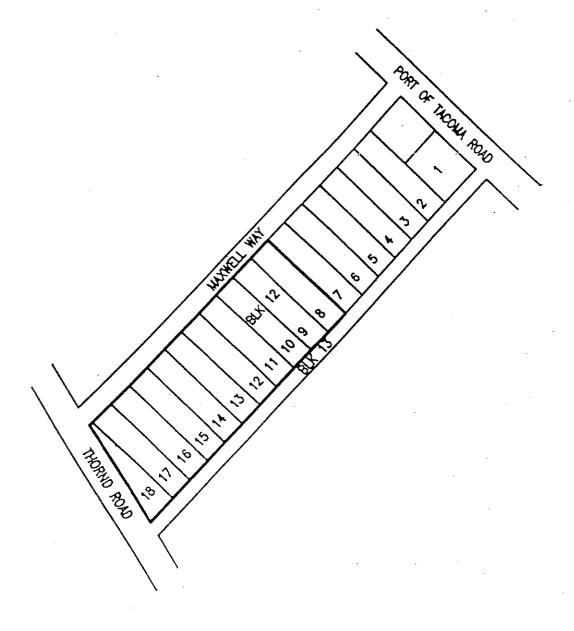
Sitts & Hill Engineers, Inc. 2901 South 40th Street Tacoma, Washington 98409 (206) 474-9449 December 27, 1993 Project No. 7763





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