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October 11, 2016

Mr. Eric Hetrick  
Chevron Environmental Management Company  
Marketing Business Unit  
6101 Bollinger Canyon Road  
San Ramon, CA 94583

RE: Determination of Potentially Liable Person Status

Dear Mr. Eric Hetrick:

On March 24, 2015 the Department of Ecology (Ecology) sent you written notice regarding your proposed status as a potentially liable person (PLP) for a release of hazardous substances at the following site:

- **Name:** Texaco Strickland
- **Address:** 6808 196th Street SW, Lynnwood, WA 98036
- **County Assessors' Parcel No:** 27042000200600
- **Facility/Site No:** 27496218
- **Cleanup Site No:** 12541

A Memorandum of Lease between Rex and Lorena Strickland (Strickland's), and The Texaco Company, a Delaware corporation, was filed as a Chattel Mortgage on September 22, 1958, recorded under Snohomish County Auditor's No. 1299228, and filed under No. 1302775. The Strickland Texaco (known as Texaco Strickland) was constructed in 1959. On July 1, 1974, a Reassignment of Lease was executed stating the debt under that Chattel Mortgage was paid in full reconvening, reassigning and redelivering all rights, title, and estate and interest ownership to the Strickland's.

Snohomish County tax records show the Texaco Company retained ownership of the underground storage tanks and system from 1959 until October 1974 (Snohomish County Real Property Tax Account No. 202704-2-007-0000).

In 1974, Texaco ceased operation of the gas station. Conversion of the property to the Quick-Lube facility occurred in 1977. Ecology understands the tanks were removed by that time.



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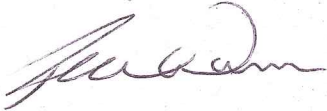
In October 2015, Ecology submitted title search documentation to Chevron Environmental Management Company (CEMC) pertaining to the Texaco Strickland Site. On November 19, 2015 CEMC after reviewing Ecology's title documentation, responded stating that CEMC, on behalf of the Texaco Company, accepts status as a PLP without admitting liability at the Site. Subsequently, in a letter dated June 16, 2016, CEMC rescinded its acceptance of PLP status for the Texaco Strickland Site.

Based on the information available to date, Ecology finds that credible evidence exists which supports your status as a PLP for the release at the Texaco Strickland Site. On the basis of this finding, Ecology has determined that you are a PLP with regard to the Texaco Strickland Site.

Your rights and responsibilities as a PLP are outlined in Chapter 70.105D RCW, and WAC 173-340. Ecology's site manager for the facility, Dale Myers, will contact you with information about how Ecology intends to proceed with the cleanup at this site.

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact Dale Myers at (425) 649-4446 or [damy461@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:damy461@ecy.wa.gov).

Sincerely,



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Northwest Regional Office

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