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February 23, 2011

Mr. Michael Key  
Love's Travel Stops and Country Stores  
P.O. Box 26210  
Oklahoma City, OK 73126

**RE: Determination of Potentially Liable Person Status**

Pilot Travel Center, 1512 Highway 96, Ellensburg  
Facility/Site ID #: 18911356  
Parcel #: 376133

Dear Mr. Key:

On January 11, 2011, 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 above-referenced site.

The 30-day comment period on this preliminary notice expired on February 14, 2011.

We received your comments on February 7, 2011. Based on the information available to date, Ecology finds credible evidence exists supporting your status as a potentially liable person for the release at the Pilot Travel Center. On the basis of this finding, Ecology has determined that you are a Potentially Liable Person (PLP) with regard to the Pilot Travel Center.

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

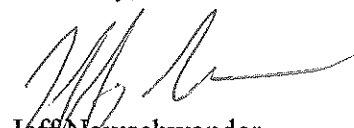
Please note that provisions of purchase and sale or lease agreements regarding liability for environmental issues do not impact a person's PLP status under MTCA.



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If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact Norm Peck at 509-454-7837.

Sincerely,



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Toxics Cleanup Program  
Central Regional Office

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