

DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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September 5, 2017

Marisa Floyd, Vice President Reserve Silica Corporation 20 First Plaza NW, Suite 308 Albuquerque, NM 87102

Re: Final Determination of Liability for Release of Hazardous Substances at the following Contaminated Site:

Site Name: Reserve Silica Corporation

• Site Address: 26000 Black Diamond & Ravensdale Road, Ravensdale, WA 98051

• Cleanup Site ID: 4728

• Facility/Site ID: 2041

 County Assessor's Parcel Number(s): 0121069002, 3622069065, 3522069018, 3522069046

Dear Ms. Floyd:

On July 14, 2017, the Department of Ecology (Ecology) sent you written notice of our preliminary determination that Reserve Silica Corporation is a potentially liable person (PLP) for a release of hazardous substances at the Reserve Silica Corporation facility (Site). On August 16, 2017, the 30-day comment period on our preliminary determination expired. As of August 16, 2017, Ecology had not received any written comments from you.

Based on available information, Ecology finds that credible evidence exists that Reserve Silica Corporation is liable for a release of hazardous substances at the Site. On the basis of this finding, Ecology has determined that Reserve Silica Corporation is a PLP with regard to the Site.

The purpose of the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) is to identify, investigate, and cleanup facilities where hazardous substances have been released. Liability for environmental contamination under MTCA is strict, joint and several (RCW 70.105D.040(2)). Ecology ensures that contaminated sites are investigated and cleaned up to the standards set forth in the MTCA statue and regulations. Ecology has determined that it is in the public interest for remedial actions to take place at this Site. Ecology will contact you regarding the actions necessary for Reserve Silica Corporation, Inc. to bring about the prompt and thorough cleanup of hazardous substances at this Site. Failure to cooperate with Ecology or comply with MTCA in this matter

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will result in Ecology employing enforcement tools as it deems necessary and appropriate. This includes, but is not limited to, the issuance of an administrative order. Failure to comply with such an order may result in a fine of up to \$25,000 per day and liability for up to three times the costs incurred by the state (RCW 70.105D.050(1)).

Your rights and responsibilities as a PLP are outlined in Chapter 70.105D RCW, and Chapters 173-340 and 173-204 WAC. Ecology's cleanup project manager for the Site, Madeline Wall, will contact you with information about how Ecology intends to proceed with the cleanup.

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact Madeline Wall at 425-649-7015 or madeline.wall@ecy.wa.gov.

Sincerely

Peter Christiansen

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Waste 2 Resources Program, NWRO

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