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DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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June 1, 2018

Mr. Bernhard E. Schneider
520 Covey Run
Ellensburg, WA 98926

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

- **Site Name:** Big B Mini Mart
- **Site Address:** 1611 Canyon Road, Ellensburg
- **Cleanup Site ID:** 4901
- **Facility/Site ID:** 386

Dear Mr. Schneider:

On April 3, 2018, the Department of Ecology (Ecology) sent you written notice of our preliminary determination that Bernhard Schneider is a potentially liable person (PLP) for a release of hazardous substances at the Big B Mini Mart Site (Site). The comment period on our preliminary determination is now expired. On May 1, 2018, Ecology received written comments from your attorney, Douglas Steding, on your behalf.

Based on the information available at this time, Ecology has determined that it will not make a final determination that Bernhard Schneider is a PLP for a release of hazardous substances at the Site. This determination does not preclude Ecology from later establishing that Bernhard Schneider is a PLP. This determination is subject to change should additional information be received.

We thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any further information about the release or questions about this notice, please contact the cleanup project manager for this Site, John Mefford, at (509) 454-7836 or john.mefford@ecy.wa.gov.



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Sincerely,



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