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June 8, 2018

Mr. Fred Buckenmeyer  
Director of Public Works  
City of Anacortes  
PO Box 457  
Anacortes, WA 98221

**RE: Site Hazard Assessment – Anacortes Former Wastewater Treatment Plant**  
Ecology FSID: 79423677 / CSID: 13264

Dear Mr. Buckenmeyer:

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) will conduct a Site Hazard Assessment (SHA) for the following site:

Anacortes Former Wastewater Treatment Plant  
14549 River Bend Rd  
Mount Vernon, WA 98273

This site has been on Ecology's Confirmed and Suspected Contaminated Sites List (CSCSL) since June 2017 for a reported release of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs).

SHAs are conducted under the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA), Chapter 173-340-320 WAC. The purpose of an SHA is to gather information on past and present waste management activities and other basic site-specific environmental data to assess the site for its potential environmental hazard. Threats to human health and the environment are evaluated for potential contaminant exposure routes; resulting in a hazard ranking determination.

Sites are ranked on a scale of 1 to 5, with 1 representing the highest level of concern and 5 the lowest, relative to other ranked sites in the state. Ranked sites are placed on the state Hazardous Sites List (HSL). In some cases, the assessment may determine that no further action is warranted. In these cases, the site is not placed on the HSL and it is removed from Ecology's CSCSL.

Information contained in Ecology's site files will be considered in evaluating and scoring this site. Ecology wants to use the most recent and accurate data.



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You are requested to submit any additional environmental information regarding this site by July 6, 2018 as follows:

Ms. Krystal Rodriguez  
Washington Department of Ecology  
Bellingham Field Office  
913 Squalicum Way, Ste 101  
Bellingham, WA 98225

Additional data could include the results of any environmental assessments or laboratory analyses that have not previously been submitted to Ecology. A copy of our Integrated Site Information System (ISIS) Site Data Summary Sheet is enclosed. You may review the contents of Ecology's file on your site by completing a Request for Public Record form (<https://www.ecology.wa.gov/About-us/Accountability-transparency/Public-records-requests>) and emailing it to [PublicRecordsOfficer@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:PublicRecordsOfficer@ecy.wa.gov), or contacting the Public Records Officer at 360-407-6040. Your active participation in the assessment and scoring process is important to ensure that the best data available are used for scoring.

We may contact you in the near future to arrange a suitable time for any field activities, as appropriate. Fact sheets describing SHAs, the Washington Ranking Method and the HSL are enclosed for your information. A copy of the final SHA report and the scoring results will be sent to you.

If you have any questions, contact Krystal Rodriguez at (360) 255-4373 or [krystal.rodriguez@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:krystal.rodriguez@ecy.wa.gov).

Sincerely,



Donna Musa  
NWRO Site Hazard Assessment Coordinator  
Toxics Cleanup Program

Enclosures: 4

cc: Jacqueline C. Quarré, Foster Pepper PLLC  
Cris Matthews, Ecology BFO  
Krystal Rodriguez, Ecology BFO

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**Alternate Names:**

**LOCATION**

**Address:** 14549 RIVER BEND RD    **Lat/Long:** 48.436075    -122.370198    **UST ID:**  
MOUNT VERNON    98273    **WRIA:** 3    **Legislative District:** 40  
**County:** Skagit    **TRS:** 34N 3E 13    **Congressional District:** 2

**DETAIL**

**Status:** Awaiting Cleanup    **RANK:**    **NFA Received?** No    **NFA Date:**  
**Site Manager:** Matthews, Cris    **Statute:** MTCA    **NFA Reason:**  
**Responsible Unit:** Northwest    **Has VCP/In VCP:** No/No    **Has Institutional Control?** No    **Is PSI Site?** No

**CLEANUP UNITS**

Unit ID	Cleanup Unit Name	Unit Status	Resp Unit	Unit Manager	Current Process
13974	Anacortes Former Water Treatment Plant	Cleanup Started	NWRO	Matthews, Cris	Ecology-supervised or

**AFFECTED MEDIA & CONTAMINANTS**

CONTAMINANT	MEDIA					
	Soil	Ground Water	Surface Water	Sediment	Air	Bedrock
Polychlorinated biPhenyls (PCB)	C	B				

**Key:**  
B--Below Cleanup Level    C--Confirmed Above Cleanup Level    RA--Remediated-Above  
S--Suspected    R--Remediated    RB--Remediated-Below

**SITE ACTIVITIES**

Area	Activity	Status	Start Date	End Date	Activity Lead
Admin	Order/Decree/Amendment	In Process			Matthews, Cris
Admin	Site Discovery/Release Report Received	Completed	2017-04-24	2017-04-24	Warren, Bob
Unit	Non-LUST Ind Report Received	Completed	2017-04-24	2017-04-24	
Unit	Non-LUST Ind Report Received	Completed	2017-04-24	2017-04-24	
Admin	Initial Investigation / Federal Preliminary Assessment	Completed	2017-05-15	2017-05-15	County Health-NW
Admin	Early Notice Letter(s)	Completed	2017-06-15	2017-06-15	Musa, Donna
Admin	Site Hazard Assessment/Federal Site Inspection	Planned	2018-04-06	2018-08-10	Rodriguez, Krystal