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Mr. Scott Rose  
Associated Environmental Group  
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RE: Status of contamination cleanup at the following site:

- Site Name: Naches Pit Stop
- Site Address: 10121 Hwy 12, Naches
- Facility/Site ID No.: 505
- Cleanup Site ID No.: 4928
- VCP No.: CE04449

Dear Mr. Rose:

I am writing to you because I have recently been assigned as the Cleanup Site Manager for the Naches Pit Stop site (Site). The Department of Ecology (Ecology) would like to thank Mr. Han Chang and AEG for their continued efforts at cleaning up this site. **Overall, the site data appear promising with respect to the amount of remaining contamination.**

The last submittal in our site file is the Subsurface Investigation Report prepared by AEG dated May 2017. Prior to that document, Ecology had issued a Further Action letter dated January 27, 2017. That further action letter requested further characterization in the vicinity of test pits that were sampled in 1991, and additional characterization of lead in groundwater in the west side of the property. Based on our review of the May 2017 report, Ecology offers the following advisory comments:

Ecology notes that the May 2017 Subsurface Investigation Report satisfactorily addressed Ecology's comments in our January 27, 2017 letter. Soil and groundwater in the vicinity of the former test pits and lead in groundwater have been sufficiently characterized. Please note that lead can be eliminated from future monitoring since it has been demonstrated to not to be a contaminated of concern at the Site.



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The May 2017 report identified diesel range organics (DRO) in groundwater at 29,700 µg/L at location B-1, above the Method A cleanup level of 500 µg/L. Ecology concurs with the recommendations presented within the May 2017 report, including addition of a monitoring well near the southeast property boundary and continued groundwater monitoring. Note that if the fourth quarterly groundwater monitoring round still shows no detections in monitoring wells MW-4, MW-5, MW-6, MW-7, and MW-8, then Ecology recommends discontinuing sampling of these monitoring wells. Continued sampling of MW-1, MW-2, and the new well at the southeast property concern are recommended, as well as continued water level measurements in all wells for potentiometric surface mapping.

Based on the groundwater sampling results from location B-1, it is anticipated that quarterly monitoring will likely need to continue. The reason for the dramatic DRO concentration change in MW-2 between January and May 2016 should be considered. A change in groundwater flow direction from south-southeast to southeast could potentially account for this change.

If you have acquired additional data please keep Ecology updated. Please call me at (509) 454-7835 or email me at [frank.winslow@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:frank.winslow@ecy.wa.gov) with any questions.

Sincerely,



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cc: Mr. Han Chang, Owner, Naches Pit Stop  
Ecology Site File