

## STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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July 30, 2018

Peter and Irene Sing P.O. Box 1691 McCleary, WA 98557

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

Site Name: Former Grays Harbor Paper Site
 Site Address: 801 23<sup>rd</sup> Street, Hoquiam, WA

Cleanup Site ID: 2262Facility/Site ID: 44124741

• County Assessor's Parcel Number(s): 056400200201, 056400200202

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Sing:

On June 1, 2018, the Department of Ecology (Ecology) sent you written notice of our preliminary determination that you are potentially liable persons (PLPs) for a release of hazardous substances at the Former Grays Harbor Paper facility (Site). On July 1, 2018, the 30-day comment period on our preliminary determination expired. As of July 25, 2018, Ecology had not received any written comments from you.

Based on available information, Ecology finds that credible evidence exists that you are liable for a release of hazardous substances at the Site. On the basis of this finding, Ecology has determined that you are PLPs 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 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 will result in Ecology employing enforcement tools as it deems necessary and appropriate.

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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, Garin Schrieve, will contact you with information about how Ecology intends to proceed with the cleanup.

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact Garin Schrieve at (360) 407-6999 or garin.schrieve@ecy.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

James DeMay, P.E.

Industrial Section Manager

By certified mail: 9489-0090-0027-6019-6816-49

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Stephanie Ogle

Jon Thompson, Office of the Attorney General

Ecology Site File