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May 16, 2016

Nathan McCann  
Superintendent  
Ridgefield School District  
2724 S. Hillhurst Rd  
Ridgefield, WA 98642

**RE: Early Notice Letter Regarding the Release of Hazardous Substances**  
**Site Name:** Ridgefield School District Bus Barn  
**Location:** 304 Pioneer St, Ridgefield, WA 98642  
**Facility Site ID Number:** 16992216

Dear Mr. McCann:

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) is required to conduct an Initial Investigation, under Chapter 70.105 Revised Code of Washington (RCW), upon receiving a report of release or threatened release of hazardous substance that may pose a threat to human health or the environment.

The Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA, Chapter 70.105D RCW) mandates the Department of Ecology (Ecology) maintain a database of Confirmed or Suspected Contaminated Sites. As a result of the initial investigation conducted by Ecology, this property has been added to the database as a State Cleanup Site and assigned a Facility Site Identification number of 16992216. Please note that inclusion in the database does not mean Ecology has determined you to be a potentially liable person.

Investigations conducted under an integrated planning grant from Ecology identified petroleum contamination in soil and groundwater. In the future, Ecology may conduct a more detailed inspection of this property known as a site hazard assessment. At that time, Ecology will assess whether action will be needed and establish a priority for the work.

Ecology's policy is to work cooperatively with individuals to accomplish prompt and effective cleanups. However, due to limited resources we are not always able to provide requested assistance. Your cooperation with Ecology in planning or conducting a remedial action is not an admission of guilt or liability. Please be aware of state laws that must be adhered to if you decide to proceed with cleanup work on your own.

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Enclosed is a Voluntary Cleanup Program Focus Sheet. This explains Ecology's Voluntary Cleanup Program designed to provide technical assistance, for a fee, to sites that qualify. If you would like additional information feel free to contact me or Nick Acklam, the Southwest Regional Office Acting Voluntary Cleanup Program Coordinator at 360-407-6084.

Chapter 70.105D RCW and the implementing regulations, Chapter 173-340 WAC which detail these requirements can be found at Ecology's Toxics Cleanup Program website, [http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/regs/current\\_laws\\_and\\_rules.html/](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/regs/current_laws_and_rules.html/). If you would like a hard copy of the MTCA regulations, or if you have any questions, please call me at (360) 407-6246. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



Kirsten Alvarez  
Toxics Cleanup Program  
Southwest Regional Office

Enclosure: Voluntary Cleanup Program Focus Sheet

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