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Dear Mr Acosta:

The State Department of Ecology has recently completed a hazard ranking for the Holden Mine Tailings, as required by the Model Toxics Control Act, (RCW 70.105D). This is a comparative estimate of the potential threat of this site to human health and the environment relative to other Washington State sites ranked at this time. A ranking of 2 has been calculated for your site, (1 = high, 5 = low).

For your information, Ecology will be publishing, as required, the ranking of this and other sites in the September 4th "Site Register." The rankings will be used in conjunction with other considerations in determining our priority for followup work. It is not anticipated that this ranking will affect current activities at your site, where remedial investigation is proceeding in accordance with WAC 173-340.

A fact sheet on the ranking method is enclosed for your information.

For any further information, you may contact John Fahsholtz, 801 Summitview, Suite 1, Yakima, WA 98902, at (509) 454-4326.

Sincerely,

Clar Pratt
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