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Via Email and US Mail

Kim Wooten, Toxicologist  
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Bellevue, Washington 98008-5452

**Re:** Morningside Acres Tracts South, Ecology Facility/Site No. 4321; CSID No. 12408  
5015, 5021 and 5023 Rainier Ave. S, Seattle, WA 98118

Dear Ms. Wooten:

I am writing on behalf of Mr. Washin Murakami who this office represents with regard to the above-referenced Morningside Acres Tracts South properties (i.e., site), and in response to your June 18, 2019 letter regarding the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) request for an indoor air vapor evaluation and update regarding the site investigation.

As you are aware, the site includes a former auto repair and service station that ceased operation years ago. Following Ecology's notice to Mr. Murakami of the risks from the soil and groundwater contamination at the site, in 2018 Mr. Murakami engaged Farallon Consulting, L.L.C. (Farallon) to perform a remedial investigation and feasibility study (RI/FS). The investigation is well underway and will be completed as part of an independent cleanup action consistent with Ecology's Voluntary Cleanup Program and Washington State Model Toxics Control Act cleanup regulations. We will be sure to provide Ecology a copy of the final RI/FS Report.

At the time we received your letter, Farallon was evaluating the potential occupational risks for residential and commercial uses of the existing buildings for the RI/FS. Mr. Murakami has since directed Farallon to perform the necessary indoor air sampling at both the warehouse at 5021 and 5023 Rainier Avenue South (former auto repair) and the smoke shop building at 5015 Rainier Avenue South for trichloroethene and petroleum compounds as you suggested. We expect to have the results summarized in a report for your evaluation in the next month, along with an evaluation of other potential hazardous substances in the buildings, including asbestos, lead and other toxic materials, which will also then be incorporated into the RI/FS.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,



Allan Bakalian

cc: Wash Murakami

Joe Rounds, Farallon Consulting