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## Notice of Periodic Review Conducted at the following Cleanup Site:

• Name: Kent Highlands Landfill

Address: 23076 Military Road South, Kent, Washington

Facility/Site No.: 2042Cleanup Site No.: 4428

## Dear Jeff Neuner:

The Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA), Chapter 70.105D Revised Code of Washington, which governs the cleanup of hazardous waste sites in Washington State, requires the Department of Ecology (Ecology) to conduct a periodic review every five years for sites with cleanup actions under a consent decree that include institutional controls (an environmental covenant). This letter serves to inform you that a periodic review has been conducted at the Kent Highlands Landfill (Site).

The periodic review process includes the following steps:

- 1. Review cleanup information including any recent monitoring data.
- 2. Confirm that the covenant is active and recorded with the title to the property.
- 3. Visit the Site to confirm the institutional controls and conditions of the covenant are effective.

A copy of the periodic review document is attached. Below is a brief summary of the periodic review's conclusions:

While the remedy at the Site can be considered protective of human health and the
environment with respect to refuse encapsulation, landfill gas control, stormwater quality
maintenance, and leachate capture, vinyl chloride continues to exceed regulatory values
in groundwater, which discharges to surface water (the Green River). The vinyl chloride
exceedances pose a risk to those who might use the Green River for consumption of both

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drinking water and organisms (fish), and therefore is not protective of human health and the environment. In other words, the Site failed the periodic review since it is not adequately protective.

- The Environmental Covenant for the property is in place and appears to continue to be effective in protecting public health and the environment from exposure to hazardous substances by ingestion and direct contact, as well as protecting the integrity of the existing remedy.
- Actions that need to be performed and modifications that need to be considered during
  the next five year period are summarized in Section 6 of the periodic review document
  (attached). Some of these action items are to be completed by the property owner, and
  some are to be completed by Ecology.

A periodic review will continue to be required every five years as long as contamination remains at the Site and institutional controls (an environmental covenant) are required to protect human health and the environment.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or the periodic review, please contact Tamara Welty (periodic reviewer) at <a href="mainto:tamara.welty@ecy.wa.gov">tamara.welty@ecy.wa.gov</a> / (425) 649-7023 or Mark Adams (site manager) at <a href="mainto:mark.adams@ecy.wa.gov">mark.adams@ecy.wa.gov</a> / (425) 649-7107.

Sincerely,

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Toxics Cleanup Program, NWRO

Enclosures: Periodic Review Document

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