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RE: Status of Cleanup at the following Site:

- **Site Name:** Chevron Station 98944
- **Site Address:** 1323 Lee Boulevard, Richland
- **Facility/Site ID No.:** 27223439
- **Cleanup Site ID No.:** 5798
- **Agreed Order No.:** DE15667

Dear Timothy Bishop:

We understand that you are now the Chevron project manager for the above-referenced Site. The Department of Ecology (Ecology) and Chevron signed Agreed Order DE15667, effective date April 26, 2018.

At this time, Ecology has several concerns regarding the ongoing progress at this Site. Ecology has not received any written quarterly progress reports, as required under VII. B. of the Agreed Order. Also, Ecology has not received replies to emails sent to your consultant on July 9, 2019, July 11, 2019, and December 26, 2019, nor to an email sent to you on December 6, 2019. The July 9, 2019 email from Ecology forwarded a report from a neighboring facility that has a bearing on next steps to be taken at the Chevron site. Ecology had requested discussion regarding next steps to be taken at Chevron Station 98944, based on data from that report. Essentially the report forwarded on July 9, 2019 presented data that indicated that the upgradient neighboring property is not the source of groundwater contamination found at the Chevron property.

The Agreed Order scope of work calls for preparation of Task 7 - Focused Feasibility Study after filling any data gaps under Task 6 – Supplemental Data Collection. Ecology notes that no vadose zone source has been identified on the property after several investigations.



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However, groundwater is contaminated with gasoline at concentrations significantly above Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) cleanup levels.

Based on the current status, Ecology concludes that Chevron has not identified any data gaps, therefore Task 6 must be considered complete. The next step to be performed at the Site is preparation and submittal of the Focused Feasibility Study (FFS) Report. **The FFS Report is due to Ecology within 90 days of the date of this letter.** The objective of the FFS will be to screen alternatives and identify an appropriate alternative for the cleanup of groundwater at the Site with contaminant concentrations above MTCA Method A cleanup levels.

After the FFS Report has been reviewed and approved by Ecology, the next deliverables due will be SEPA compliance (Task 8) and Preliminary Draft Cleanup Action Plan (CAP, Task 9). Ecology will be responsible for finalization of the CAP.

Ecology requests written acknowledgement of this letter within 30 days of the date of this letter. If you have any questions regarding this letter or if you would like additional information regarding the cleanup of contaminated sites, please call me at 509-454-7835. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



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