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Mr. Roger Nye Washington State Department of Ecology 3190 160th Avenue SE Bellevue, Washington 98008

Subject:

Request for Review, Former Texaco Facility 63-232-0037, 8701 Greenwood

Avenue North, Seattle, Washington

Dear Mr. Nye:

This letter has been prepared to request review of the site data recently submitted to your office describing results of groundwater monitoring and sampling activities at the site referenced above. Groundwater sampling activities have been conducted on a quarterly basis following issuance of a conditional no further action determination for the site in July 1996.

Background

Prior to 1994, the site had historically operated as a retail gasoline service station. In 1995 the property was sold and subsequently redeveloped as a Walgreen's retail facility.

Prior to construction, environmental assessment and remediation activities were conducted to remove hydrocarbon-impacted soil and groundwater beneath the site. In January 1996, an Independent Remedial Action Report summarizing results of the site activities was prepared by Environmental Resolutions, Inc. (ERI), and submitted to your office for review under the Independent Remedial Action Program (IRAP).

On July 31, 1996, a no further action letter was issued for the site indicating that no further cleanup action would be required. One condition of the no further action determination was that groundwater samples be collected from a single remaining well, AGW-6, and submitted for hydrocarbon analyses on a twice-yearly basis to monitor groundwater conditions. During construction of the new building AGW-6 was inadvertently destroyed by the building contractor and subsequently replaced with a new well, MW8 at approximately the same location. Groundwater samples have since been collected from MW8 on a quarterly basis beginning in August 1997. The most recent sampling event was conducted in August 1998.

Sample Results

Review of quarterly sampling results indicates that petroleum hydrocarbon concentrations in groundwater samples collected from MW8 have remained below Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) Method A Cleanup Levels for each of the last four quarters. In addition, hydrocarbon concentrations in samples collected from both AGW-6 and MW8 have been below MTCA Method A Cleanup Levels in all but one of ten sampling events conducted since

June 1995. Results of these sampling events are summarized in the most recent groundwater sampling report prepared by ERI dated November 25, 1998.

Based on the laboratory results of recent and historic sampling events, it appears that hydrocarbon concentrations in groundwater beneath the site have successfully been reduced to below MTCA Method A Cleanup Levels. Therefore, Equiva hereby requests that the requirement for continued groundwater sampling be removed and that authorization be given to decommission remaining monitoring well MW8 in accordance with applicable requirements.

We appreciate your assistance on this project. Please call if you have questions.

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Sincerely.

Project Coordinator