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April 25, 2022

Brian Blake  
Ocean Companies, Governmental Affairs  
PO Box 1104  
Westport, WA 98595

**Re: Facility visit/records review – National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System  
(NPDES) Permit Number WA0041971**

Dear Brian Blake:

I would like to thank everyone for their time during my facility visit/records review of Ocean Companies on March 10, 2022. I am sending you a copy of my facility visit/records review report. If you have any questions regarding this report, please contact me at [azizullah.mahar@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:azizullah.mahar@ecy.wa.gov) or (360) 763-2787.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Azizullah Mahar".

Aziz Mahar  
Environmental Engineer  
Southwest Regional Office  
Water Quality Program

Enclosure



Transaction Code		NPDES										yr/mo/dy					Inspection Type		Inspector		Facility Type	
1   <u>N</u>	2   <u>5</u>	3   <u>W</u>	4   <u>A</u>	5   <u>0</u>	6   <u>0</u>	7   <u>4</u>	8   <u>1</u>	9   <u>9</u>	10   <u>7</u>	11   <u>1</u>	12   <u>2</u>	13   <u>2</u>	14   <u>0</u>	15   <u>3</u>	16   <u>1</u>	17   <u>0</u>	18   <u>C</u>	19   <u>S</u>	20   <u>2</u>			
Remarks																						
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	66		
Inspection Work Days				Facility Self-Monitoring Evaluation Rating										B1		QA		Reserved				
67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87		

Name and Location of Facility Inspected <i>(For industrial users discharging to POTW, also include POTW name and NPDES permit number)</i>  Ocean Companies 1804 Nyhus Street Westport, WA 98595	Entry Time/Date 1:00 PM 3/10/2022	Permit Effective Date  1/1/2022
	Exit Time/Date 2:45 PM 3/10/2022	Permit Expiration Date  12/31/2027
Name(s) of On-Site Representative(s)/Title(s)/Phone and Fax Number  Eric Rydman, Maintenance Manager Greg Shaughnessy, General Manager Brian Blake, Governmental Affairs Daniel Cerda, Safety and Compliance Manager Phone Number: (360) 268-2510 Fax Number: (360) 268-6376	Other Facility Data <i>(e.g., SIC NAICS, and other description information)</i>  SIC 2092  NAICS 311712	
Name, Address of Responsible Official/Title/Phone and Fax Number Mark Rydman, President Phone Number: (360)-268-2510 Fax Number: (360)-268-6376	Contacted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Permit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Self-Monitoring Program	<input type="checkbox"/> Pretreatment	<input type="checkbox"/> MS4
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Records/Reports	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compliance Schedules	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pollution Prevention	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Facility Site Review	<input type="checkbox"/> Laboratory	<input type="checkbox"/> Stormwater	
<input type="checkbox"/> Effluent/Receiving Waters	<input type="checkbox"/> Operations & Maintenance	<input type="checkbox"/> Combined Sewer Overflow	
<input type="checkbox"/> Flow Measurement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sludge Handling/Disposal	<input type="checkbox"/> Sanitary Sewer Overflow	

***(Attach additional sheets of narrative and checklists, including Single Event Violation codes, as necessary)***

On March 10, 2022, I conducted a site visit/records review of Ocean Companies' Ocean Gold and Ocean Cold seafood processing operations in Westport of Grays Harbor County. In the beginning of this visit, I met with Brian Blake, Greg Shaughnessy, and Daniel Cerda. The initial meeting was conducted in Greg Shaughnessy's office in the main building (1804 Nyhus Street) of Ocean Gold's operations. In the office meeting, I discussed and explained to Ocean Companies' staff the permit that the Department of Ecology (Ecology) renewed in December 2021.

After the office meeting, I visited Ocean Companies' Ocean Gold fish processing operation building as well as loading/unloading area. During this facility site review, I was joined by Brian Blake, Greg Shaughnessy, and Daniel Cerda. During my facility site review fish were not being processed. I visited process water collection system inside the processing plant as well as equipment/totes wash water collection system outside the facility. The collection system outside the facility includes a strip drainage system that collects wash water/stormwater from their loading/unloading paved area (Photo 3). Ocean Gold also has a catch basin and pump/sump adjacent to their facility (Photo 1, Photo 2). The catch basin and pump/sump collect totes wash water as well as any storm water that comes into contact with their operational activities. These process water and wash water/stormwater waste streams are directed to the hydrosieve which is primary solid/liquid separation screen (Photo 4) and then to the wastewater treatment system at the fire cracker point for their treatment to meet the NPDES permit limits/conditions.

After finishing Ocean Gold facility site review, I went to the Ocean Cold storage/processing facility which is located at 1601 Yearout Drive. During my facility visit, fish were not being processed. I inspected loading/unloading ramp as well as stormwater/totes wash water drainage area/catch basin (Photo 5 and Photo 6). This wash water/stormwater is collected and discharged to the wastewater treatment system at the fire cracker point.

After reviewing Ocean Cold facility, I went to the wastewater treatment plant at the fire cracker point where I met with Allen Fletcher, wastewater treatment plant operator. The renewed permit as well as other permit relevant documents such as discharge monitoring reports (DMRs), effluent sampling analysis lab reports, spill plan, solid waste control plan and operation, and maintenance were available at the site. I reviewed some of the DMRs as well as laboratory reports during this meeting.

**Verify Latitude and Longitude**

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Latitude and longitude were not field verified.


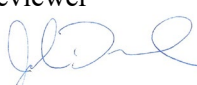
Name(s) and Signature(s) of Inspector(s)   Aziz Mahar, P.E.	Agency/Office/Phone and Fax Numbers Ecology/SWRO; Phone: (360) 763-2787 Fax: (360)-407-6305	Date  4/25/2022
Signature of Management Q A Reviewer   John Y. Diamant, P.E. for Steven G. Eberl, P.E.	Agency/Office/Phone and Fax numbers:  John Y. Diamant, P.E., Ecology (360) 819-3824 Steven G. Eberl, Ecology (360) 407-6293	Date  4/25/2022



Photo 1 of (6): Ocean Gold's regraded stormwater catch basin drainage area.  
Photo date/time: March 10, 2022/1:41PM



Photo 2 of (6): Ocean Gold's Pump/Sump location.  
Photo date/time: March 10, 2022/1:40 PM

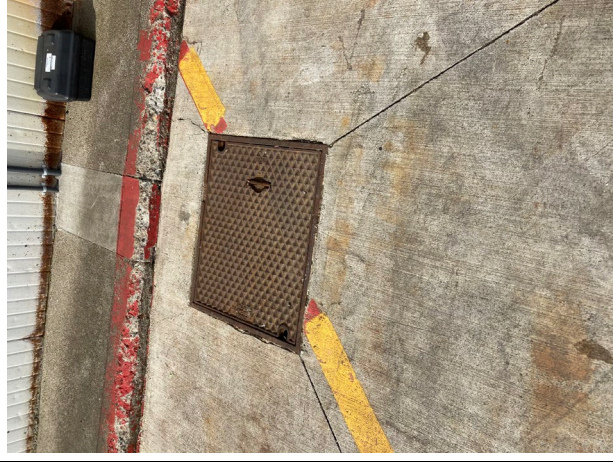


Photo 3 (6): Ocean Gold's Strip drainage system.  
Photo date/time: March 10, 2022/1:42PM



Photo 4 of (6): Ocean Gold's hydrosieve screen.  
Photo date/time: March 10, 2022/1:46PM



Photo 5 of (6): Ocean Cold's loading ramp/  
stormwater/wash water catch basin.  
Photo date/time: March 10, 2022/2:06PM



Photo 6 (6): Ocean Cold's Stormwater/totes wash  
water catch basin.  
Photo date/time: March 10, 2022/2:06PM

