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December 12, 2013

Mr. Richard Butler  
King County WTD  
1200 Monster Road SW  
Renton, WA 98057

Re: **WARNING LETTER** for National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)  
Permit No. WA0032247 and State Waste Discharge Permit No. ST0045498 for the Brightwater  
Treatment Plant and Reclaimed Water Facilities

Dear Mr. Butler:

This letter is to inform you that your facility was out of compliance with the conditions in your wastewater discharge permit as listed below:

Month/ Year	Outfall	Monitoring Parameter	Type	Sample Measurement	Units	Min Limit	Max Limit
August 2013	YPS (Reclaim)	Chlorine, Total residual	Minimum	0.12	Milligrams/ L (mg/L)	0.5	-
August 2013	YPS (Reclaim)	Total Coliform	Missed Monitoring due to holding time (August 10).				
August 2013	YPS (Reclaim)	Biochemical Oxygen Demand	Missed Monitoring on effluent due to incorrect laboratory procedures (August 14, 20, 21, 22).				
August 2013	001 (WWTP)	Biochemical Oxygen Demand	Missed Monitoring on effluent due to incorrect laboratory procedures (August 14, 19, 21, 22).				

Non-compliance notifications are required by your permit. The checked item below indicates if further notification is required regarding the above violation(s).

- ☒ No further action is required. You have already submitted a notice of non-compliance or explained the cause of the violation(s) in your Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR). You have already complied with this requirement.
- ☐ You must submit this notice immediately. You have not submitted a notice of non-compliance for the violation(s) and have not explained the cause of the violation(s) in your DMR, then you are in violation of your permit. You may refer to your permit for more information about submitting a non-compliance notification.

Ecology uses the DMR to evaluate compliance with permit requirements. If you fail to comply with the conditions of your permit, Ecology may take formal administrative enforcement action, including issuing orders and penalties. Ecology's enforcement authority for NPDES permits is governed by Chapter 173-220-230 of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC). Ecology's enforcement authority for state waste discharge permits is governed by Chapter 173-216 of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC).

Please contact me at (425) 649-7195 or by email at [ajan461@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:ajan461@ecy.wa.gov) if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

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Municipal Compliance Specialist



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Central Files: King County Brightwater Treatment Plant, WA0032247, King County Brightwater  
Reclaimed Water Facility; WQ 6.4

e-cc: Alison Evans, Permit Manager