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May 26, 2015

Mr. Rick Romero
Director of Utilities
City of Spokane
808 W. Spokane Falls Blvd
Spokane, WA 99201

Re: Riverside Park Water Reclamation Facility – NPDES Permit No. WA-002447
Next Level of Treatment Project Definition Report

Dear Mr. Romero:

Thank you for submitting the Next Level of Treatment (NLT) Project Definition Report to Ecology's Eastern Regional Office on April 7, 2015. Ecology reviewed the NLT Report and formally ACCEPTS the document as meeting the requirements of WAC 173-220. We provide an acceptance rather than approval as your discharge permit does not require the submission of this report for compliance with the upgrades necessary in the Spokane River DO TMDL.

Ecology concurs with the pilot testing underway for the selection of the membranes that will be used in the tertiary process upgrade. We also concur with the City of Spokane's (City) intent to use the General Contractor/Construction Manager alternative method established in Chapter 39.10 RCW for project completion. Ecology commends the City for taking the time to establish the membrane pilot test. We agree this process will result in selecting the best membrane alternative for meeting the wasteload allocation set forth in the DO TMDL.

Ecology's acceptance of this document assures compliance and consistency with the appropriate rules, regulations, guidelines, planning and design criteria, and/or other similar documents and is not to be construed as a quality control check. Acceptance of this document shall not be construed as satisfying other applicable federal, state or local statutes, ordinances or regulations.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (509) 329-3519.

Sincerely,

M. Eleanor Key, P.E.
Permit Manager/Facility Engineer
Water Quality Program

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cc: Dale Arnold, City of Spokane
Marcia Davis, P.E., City of Spokane
Lars Hendron, P.E., City of Spokane

