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Madeline Goddard, Deputy Director  
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RE: Phase I Municipal Stormwater Permit (WAR04-4503)  
Stormwater Code and Manual for Controlling Runoff from New & Redevelopment

Dear Ms. Goddard:

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) has completed our review of the City of Seattle's revised stormwater code and manual under the Phase I Municipal Stormwater Permit (Permit) Special Condition S5.C.5.a.iii. These documents consist of:

- Seattle Municipal Code Chapters 22.800 – 22.808 titled "Stormwater Code" as adopted in September 2015 (Council Bill 118465).
- Joint Seattle Public Utilities (SPU)/Department of Planning and Development (DPD) Directors' Rule titled "Seattle Stormwater Manual" (Directors' Rule SPU DWW-200/DPD 21-2015) as approved by the Director of SPU and the Director of DPD in December 2015.

Ecology performed this review for the purpose of determining compliance with Special Condition S5.C.5.a.i-iii of the Permit. At this time, we are making a preliminary determination that the City of Seattle's stormwater code and manual cited above are approvable under the Permit and functionally equivalent to Ecology's 2012 Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington as amended in 2014. Ecology's determination will not become final until after Ecology conducts a public review process associated with a future modification of Appendix 10 of the Phase I Permit.

I appreciate the hard work of your team to develop a code and manual package that reflects the City of Seattle's urban conditions and complies with the Permit's environmental protection

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requirements. Please contact me at (425) 649-7223 or by email at [rmcc461@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:rmcc461@ecy.wa.gov) if you have questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rachel McCrea". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Rachel" and last name "McCrea" clearly legible.

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