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The Honorable Frank Kuntz, Mayor  
City of Wenatchee  
129 S. Chelan Ave  
Wenatchee, WA 98801

**RE: Coleman Oil Wastewater Discharge**

Dear Mayor Kuntz:

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) is aware of Coleman Oil, Inc.'s (Coleman Oil) desire to direct connect to sewer in order to discharge up to 4,000 gal/day to the City of Wenatchee's Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW) until six months after the effective date of the contract or until completion of the project. It is Ecology's understanding that Coleman Oil discovered a release of renewable diesel on March 18, 2017 to groundwater and subsequently to the hydraulically-connected Columbia River. Initial tests of the wastewater show the wastewater not be a federally or state regulated dangerous waste and Coleman Oil has plans to routinely monitor and test the wastewater according to the testing regiment laid out in the May 3, 2017 Discharge Agreement.

Additionally, Coleman Oil is going to treat the wastewater with an oil/water separator followed by two sets of activated carbon filters which will further separate the organics and other contaminants from the water prior to discharge to the POTW.

In conclusion, as long as the City of Wenatchee can continue to meet its discharge limits under permit WA0023949, the City of Wenatchee may accept this additional waste stream.

Should you have any questions or need any additional information, please contact Dan Ferguson at (509) 457-7108 or [dan.ferguson@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:dan.ferguson@ecy.wa.gov).

Sincerely,

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