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November 9, 2018

Mr. Brad Helland
GWI Holdings, Inc.
1000 First Avenue
Ste 2201
Seattle, WA 98104

**Re: State Waste Discharge Permit No. ST0501318
Gaco Wester – Temporary Permit**

Dear Mr. Helland:

Your application for a State Waste Discharge (SWD) Permit was received by this office and accepted as complete on September 25, 2018.

WAC 173-216-070 explains what satisfies the requirement for filing a permit application "In the event of failure of the Department to act upon an application within sixty days after it has been filed, the applicant shall be deemed to have a temporary permit. The permit shall authorize the applicant to discharge waste into waters of the State as requested in its application only until such time as the Department shall have taken action upon said application."

Therefore your Temporary Permit became effective on October 28, 2018 and will remain in effect until your State Waste Discharge permit is issued or for up to five years, whichever occurs first. The temporary permit consists of the information submitted in the permit application. This authorization does not allow you to discharge pollutants not specified in your application and attachments or in quantities exceeding those specified in your application.

State law requires the circulation and publication of notices which describe the proposed issuance, renewal or extension of NPDES permits. This is intended to allow the public to be aware of and comment on such actions.

Enclosed is a copy of the public notice that will be published in the Seattle Times on November 6 and 13, 2018. A similar notice will be mailed from this office to agencies, groups and individuals that have requested such notices for this geographic area. Another public notice will be published when the draft permit has been prepared.



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If you have any questions regarding the current status of your new permit, please contact Chris Martin at (425) 649-7110 or Email at cmar461@ecy.wa.gov

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rachel McCrea". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Rachel" being larger and more prominent than the last name "McCrea".

Rachel McCrea
Water Quality Section Manager
Northwest Regional Office

By Certified Ma 9171 9690 0935 0203 0479 77

cc: Chris Martin, Facility Manager
Charles Gilman, WQ Permit Fee Unit
Chris Smith, PARIS
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