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DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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April 3, 2020

Paula Stoppler, Technical Director  
Cosmo Specialty Fibers, Inc.  
1701 First Street  
Cosmopolis, WA 98537

**Re: Cosmo Specialty Fibers, Inc. (Cosmo)  
Administrative Order # 16454**

Dear Paula Stoppler:

This letter is in regards to Administrative Order #16454 issued by the Department of Ecology (Ecology) on May 9, 2019. The Order was issued in response to violations of NPDES permit no. WA0000809, specifically the exceedances of the BOD<sub>5</sub> limits in December 2018 and January 2019. The Order required Cosmo to inspect and address releases of red liquor to the wastewater treatment system. These requirements were in effect until Cosmo added new solids removal equipment to the treatment system.

Cosmo installed the solids removal equipment, the FKC screw press, in February 2020. Ecology verified that the equipment was installed and in operation during the February 21, 2020 inspection. Therefore, Ecology has determined that Cosmo has fulfilled the requirements of Order #16454 and is issuing the enclosed Notice of Compliance. Please keep the Notice of Compliance for your records.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (360) 407-6064 or [ha.tran@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:ha.tran@ecy.wa.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ha Tran", is written over a faint, circular official stamp.

Ha Tran  
Industrial Section, Solid Waste Management Program  
Washington State Department of Ecology

Cc: Craig McKinney, Environmental Engineer

Enclosures: Notice of Compliance with Order No. 16454

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IN THE MATTER OF A	)	NOTICE OF COMPLIANCE
COMPLIANCE ORDER AGAINST	)	WITH ORDER No. 16454
Cosmo Specialty Fibers, Inc.	)	

To: James Smith, Mill Manager  
Cosmo Specialty Fibers, Inc. (Cosmo)  
1701 First Street  
Cosmopolis, WA 98537

For the site located at:  
1701 First Street, Cosmopolis, WA 98536

Order number 16454 was issued to Cosmo Specialty Fibers (Cosmo) on May 9, 2020 requiring compliance with certain conditions imposed in accordance with chapter 90.48.080 of the Revised Code of Washington (RCW).

The Department of Ecology has determined that Cosmo has satisfied the conditions in Order number 16454.

DATED this 3rd day of April, 2020 at Olympia, Washington.



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James DeMay, P.E.  
Industrial Section Manager  
Washington State Department of Ecology