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October 12, 2020

Shawn Lietz  
Sakata Seed America Inc.  
11857 Bay Ridge Drive  
Burlington, WA 98233

**Re: Engineering Report Approval for Sakata Seed America Inc., Permit No. ST0501329,  
Conceptual Plan for New Wastewater Treatment Process**

Dear Shawn Lietz:

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) received a conceptual plan and process flow diagram for the Sakata Seed America Inc. (Sakata Seed) wastewater treatment process at the new Burlington facility on July 1, 2020. Hoopman Equipment and Engineering (Hoopman) prepared the conceptual plan and process flow diagram. Hoopman is a European firm that specializes in seed enhancement equipment and process design.

Ecology has waived the requirement for a three-step engineering report submittal, in accordance with WAC 173-240-110(5). Sakata Seed has complied with the requirement to submit a conceptual plan, in lieu of the three-step engineering report submittal. In accordance with RCW 90.48.110 and Chapter 173-240 WAC, Ecology has reviewed and hereby approves the conceptual plan. The conceptual plan was reviewed and recommended for approval by Maia Hoffman, Environmental Engineer-In-Training, with oversight by Gerald Shervey, PE.

Nothing in this approval shall be construed as satisfying other applicable federal, state or local statutes, ordinances or regulations.

If you have any questions regarding this document or your permit, please contact Maia Hoffman at (425) 649-7217 or [mhof461@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:mhof461@ecy.wa.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rachel McCrea".

Rachel McCrea  
Water Quality Section Manager  
Northwest Regional Office

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Ecc: Donald Erickson, Sewer Department Supervisor, City of Burlington  
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PARIS, Sakata Seed, Permit Number ST0501329, WQ 4.