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April 7, 2021

Matthew Symington  
City of Tacoma  
2201 Portland Avenue  
Tacoma, WA 98421

RE: Application for Renewal of National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)  
Wastewater Discharge Permit Number WA0037087, Tacoma Central Wastewater Treatment  
Plant

Dear Matthew Symington:

[Washington Administrative Code \(WAC\) 173-220-180\(1\)](#) requires a Permittee to file a permit renewal application every five years.

Your NPDES Permit No. WA0037087 expired on October 31, 2015. The application was submitted on December 24, 2013, and April 29, 2015, is over five years old. An electronic copy of the application may be downloaded by going to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) website: <https://www.epa.gov/npdes/npdes-applications-and-forms-epa-applications>. Please complete the application and return it no later than **July 1, 2021**, to me at:

Carey Cholski  
Municipal Permit Administrator  
Department of Ecology  
Southwest Regional Office – WQ  
PO Box 47775  
Olympia, WA 98504-7775

NPDES Regulations require the submission of sludge information with the re-application for an NPDES Permit. The following information is required to determine if additional pretreatment measures are required.

1. The most recent five years of sludge monitoring data for pollutants listed in [40 Code of Federal Regulations \(CFR\) 503.13](#), tables 1 and 3.
2. The quality necessary to meet the chosen use and disposal procedures at the facility (i.e., which tables; 1 or 3 of 40 CFR 503.13 are applicable).

You may also be responsible for compliance with [Chapter 173-350 WAC](#), Solid Waste Handling Standards, for the management of solid wastes. The local health jurisdiction regulates solid waste management. Please contact your local health jurisdiction with any specific questions.

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Ecology expects a permit application to be completed and accurate upon submittal. If there are any questions about the application or the permitting process, please contact Dainis Kleinbergs at [dainis.kleinbergs@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:dainis.kleinbergs@ecy.wa.gov) or (360) 407-7050 (office) or (564) 999-3588 (cell). If needed, a meeting can be arranged.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carey Cholski".

Carey Cholski  
Municipal Permit Administrator  
Water Quality Program  
Southwest Regional Office

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Enclosure

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