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Jenny Wu
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RE: National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Draft Permit and Fact Sheet Review for Inland Empire Paper Company Permit WA0000825

Dear Jenny Wu:

Enclosed is a draft copy of Inland Empire Paper Company's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit and fact sheet. Please review these documents and submit comments before the end of the upcoming public comment period.

Ecology will place a public notice in the local newspaper (Spokesman Review). There will be a 45-day comment period from the date of publication. At that time, you will have the opportunity to submit comments on requirements and conditions in the permit. Ecology will review and respond to comments received during the 45-day public review period and will issue the final permit after addressing all comments. The comment period will run from March 4, 2022 to April 18, 2022.

Please do not share or forward the permit or fact sheet, the public will have the opportunity to review and submit comments on the draft documents during the upcoming public review period. We are also providing a copy of these documents to the Spokane Tribe, Colville Confederated Tribes, Kalispel Tribe and the Coeur d'Alene Tribe.

Please contact Pat Hallinan at (509) 655-9239 or by email at Patrick.Hallinan@ecy.wa.gov if you have questions about the document review.

Sincerely,

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AB:sj

Enclosure (2)

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