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Lazario Eleuterio
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RE: Snoqualmie Water Reclamation Facility
NPDES Waste Discharge Permit No. WA0022403
Response to Public Draft Permit and Draft Fact Sheet

Dear Mr. Eleuterio:

On January 24, 2020, the Washington Department of Ecology ("DOE" or "Ecology") published notice of the availability of a draft permit, NPDES Waste Discharge Permit No. WA0022403 ("draft Permit"), and related draft Fact Sheet, for the Snoqualmie Water Reclamation Facility ("SWRF"). The notice invited written comment on the draft Permit and draft Fact Sheet, to be submitted within 30 days after publication of the notice.

Pursuant to DOE's notice, I am transmitting the City of Snoqualmie's written comments below on the draft Fact Sheet and draft Permit. These comments are submitted within thirty days of the January 24, 2020 public notice, with the thirty days calculated as provided in WAC 371-08-310 (when the last day

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of a period falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, that day is excluded and the next non-weekend or non-holiday is included).

The comments request certain changes to the draft Fact Sheet and draft Permit, for technical and legal reasons explained below. Prior to Ecology's final Permit renewal decision, we respectfully request a meeting with you and Water Quality Section Manager Rachel McCrea to further explain the rationale behind and legal support for the requested changes.

In the meantime, if you have questions or would like to discuss any of the City's comments, please call Parks & Public Works Director Brian Krause or Wastewater Superintendent Thomas Holmes, who can provide you more information.

Very truly yours,

CITY OF SNOQUALMIE

Sincerely,



Matthew R. Larson, Mayor

c: Rick Rudometkin, Interim City Administrator
Brian Krause, Parks & Public Works Director
Thomas Holmes, Wastewater Superintendent
Bob C. Sterbank, City Attorney