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February 24, 2022

Dan Eisses  
BIRCH BAY STP  
7096 Point Whitehorn Rd.  
Blaine, WA 98230-9675

RE: **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VIOLATION(S)**  
Permit Number WA0029556 for BIRCH BAY STP

Dear Dan Eisses:

This letter acknowledges that the Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) for the BIRCH BAY STP reported violations of Permit Number WA0029556. The following parameters were not in compliance:

Date	Outfall	Monitoring Parameter	Type	Sample Measurement	Units	Max Limit
11/1/2021	IN1	Flow	Average	1.5865	Million Gallons/Day (MGD)	1.44

Due to the extreme weather conditions associated with the violations in your DMR, Ecology has decided that no enforcement actions are required at this time.

Ecology uses the DMR to evaluate compliance with permit requirements. If you fail to comply with the conditions of your permit, Ecology may take formal administrative enforcement action, including issuing orders and penalties. Chapter 173-220-230 of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC) governs Ecology's enforcement authority for National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits. Chapter 173-216 of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC) governs Ecology's enforcement authority for State Waste Discharge permits.

If you have and questions, comments, or concerns with this warning letter please feel free to contact me at (425) 449-6560 or by email at [greg.lipnickey@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:greg.lipnickey@ecy.wa.gov), or your permit manager Steve Hood at (425) 649-7160 or via email at [Steven.Hood@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:Steven.Hood@ecy.wa.gov).

Sincerely;

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Municipal Compliance Specialist  
Water Quality Program

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