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**RE: Please Reapply for your Industrial Stormwater General Permit – Second Reminder**

Dear Ryan Hibbs:

Your facility is covered under Ecology's Industrial Stormwater General Permit (ISGP), which will expire on December 31, 2024. The ISGP requires you to reapply for permit coverage at least 180 days prior to the expiration date of the current permit (General Condition G8). You must reapply for the ISGP by **July 5, 2024, in order to maintain your permit coverage beyond the expiration date.**

If you fail to reapply for the ISGP, your permit coverage will terminate on December 31, 2024, when the current permit expires. If your permit is terminated and you discharge pollutants to waters of the State, you will violate the federal Clean Water Act and Chapter 90.48 RCW. **If you have already submitted a renewal application, please disregard this additional notice.**

To determine whether a renewal application was submitted for your permit, please visit <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/paris/PermitSearch.aspx> and search by entering the permit number or project name. Scroll down and a 'draft' application should appear in the list of search results (see 'Permit Status' column). Ecology will notify you if any additional information is required.

**To Reapply Online**

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) uses SecureAccess Washington (SAW) to maintain security of your data. To submit an electronic application through SAW, **please follow Ecology's ISGP renewal application instructions:**

[https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/ezshare/wq/permits/ISGP\\_2024\\_RenewalInstructions.pdf](https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/ezshare/wq/permits/ISGP_2024_RenewalInstructions.pdf)

You can use your existing SAW account. If you do not have a SAW account, you can create one through

the SAW login webpage: <https://secureaccess.wa.gov/myAccess/saw/select.do>

For instructions on setting up a SAW account, visit Ecology's WQWebPortal guidance webpage: <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/Guidance-technical-assistance/Water-quality-permits-guidance/WQWebPortal-guidance>.

### **If You Need to Make Changes to Your Permit Coverage**

Certain changes to your coverage should be made through the renewal process, for example, updating contact information. However, you may **not make** changes to the permittee affiliation in this renewal process. If you need to alter information that the electronic application will not allow you to change, or if you have other questions about reapplying for the permit, please contact your permit administrator: Stacey Britton, at SBRI461@ecy.wa.gov or (360) 764-3727.

### **Permit Reissuance**

Ecology is in the process of updating and reissuing the current ISGP. If you have comments about the current permit, suggestions on ways to improve the permit, or questions about this letter, please contact Travis Porter at [Travis.Porter@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:Travis.Porter@ecy.wa.gov) or 360-280-8370.

The draft 2025 ISGP will be released for public review and comment in the spring of 2024. For more information, please visit the ISGP webpage: <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/Permits-certifications/Stormwater-general-permits/Industrial-stormwater-permit>

Sincerely,



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