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RE: Industrial Stormwater General Permit - Annual Report Received

Dear Industrial Stormwater Permittee:

Your facility has coverage under the Washington State Department of Ecology's (Ecology) Industrial Stormwater General Permit (Permit). **Ecology has received your 2012 Annual Report – Thank You!**

We have not reviewed your Annual Report yet, but it has been uploaded into Ecology's PARIS (Permit and Reporting Information System) database. We also wanted to provide you with a summary of your Corrective Action status, based on Discharge Monitoring Reports submitted to Ecology. Please review this information and let Ecology know if our records are not accurate, or if you have any questions.

Corrective Action Information

The Permit relies on each facility's self-monitoring data to determine if additional stormwater best management practices (BMP) are needed to improve stormwater quality. The purpose of this section is to provide information about the Permit requirements for Level 2 and 3 Corrective Actions, based on the number of times (quarters) a benchmark parameter is exceeded¹ at a facility during the calendar year:

- Level 2 (additional Structural Source Control BMPs) - required if a benchmark parameter is exceeded 2 times during a calendar year. For example, if your copper levels exceeded the copper benchmark during the first and fourth quarters during 2012, a Level 2 corrective action for copper is required.
- Level 3 (additional Treatment BMPs) - required if a benchmark parameter is exceeded 3 or more times during a calendar year. For example, if your zinc levels exceeded the zinc benchmark during the first, third, and fourth quarters during 2012, a Level 3 corrective action for zinc is required.
- Failure to complete required corrective actions is a Permit violation.

¹ If a parameter was sampled more than once per quarter, the average of those results is compared to the benchmark to determine if the benchmark was exceeded that quarter.

Your Facility's Corrective Action Level(s):

Based on Discharge Monitoring Reports submitted by your facility in 2010, 2011 and 2012, we have determined that your facility did not trigger any Level 2 or 3 Corrective Actions. **If this information is not accurate, please contact the Ecology staff listed below.**

For information on the specific requirements for Level 2 or 3 corrective actions, please refer to the Permit (Pages 35-37). You can download the Permit and other useful documents from Ecology's website: www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/industrial/index.html.

Contact Information

If you need to update Ecology's records, please contact Shawn Hopkins at (360) 407-6442, or email shop461@ecy.wa.gov.

For site-specific questions about how to complete your Annual Report, or any other aspect of Permit compliance, please contact your regional Ecology stormwater inspector, Kurt Baumgarten at (360) 715-5210 or kuba461@ecy.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bill Moore". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Bill" and last name "Moore" clearly distinguishable.

Bill Moore, P.E., Manager
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cc: Stormwater file, HQ