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RE: Withdrawal of Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS)/Northwest Cascade - Department of Ecology General Permit for Biosolids Management

Dear Mr. Inman:

The Pierce County Planning and Land Services Department (Department) has further reviewed the proposal, as well as the SEPA Rules, Chapter 197-11 WAC, and determined that the Department should not be lead agency for the proposal as it has no jurisdiction over the proposal. The Department has determined that the only agency with jurisdiction over this project appears to be the Washington State Department of Ecology. WAC 197-11-930 states: "For proposed private projects for which there is only one agency with jurisdiction, the lead agency shall be the agency with jurisdiction." Therefore, the lead agency for this proposal should be the Department of Ecology. It is the determination of this Department to withdraw the Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS) issued for the proposed Biosolids Management Project on October 4, 2007. The Department is no longer lead agency for this proposal and has no objections to the DOE assuming lead agency.

We apologize for any inconvenience this determination may cause you.

You may reach me by phone at (253) 798-7165 or by e-mail at ACLARK@co.pierce.wa.us with any questions you might have concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

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