



6720 South Macadam Avenue
Suite 300
Portland, Oregon 97219
Phone 503.670.1108

October 10, 2023

Sarah Greenfield
Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
700 NE Multnomah Street, Suite 600
Portland, Oregon 97232-4100

Re: Portland Gas Manufacturing Site
Third Quarter (3Q) 2023 Progress Report

Dear Ms. Greenfield:

On behalf of NW Natural, Anchor QEA LLC is submitting this progress report for post-construction work being done under the April 23, 2020, Consent Judgment in Multnomah County Circuit Court Case No. 20CV15456. This report summarizes the work completed in the third quarter (3Q) 2023. As required in the Order, this progress report provides information on work completed, work planned, and problems encountered, if any.

Work Completed and Ongoing

- *Long-Term Monitoring*
 - On July 13, we provided the Year 3 deposition/erosion maps, cap/cover thickness maps, and cross-sections along with a preliminary assessment of the physical integrity of the caps and covers to Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ).
 - On July 27, we convened a meeting with DEQ to review the June bathymetric survey results and next steps in the PGM long-term monitoring program.
 - On July 27, DEQ provided an email supporting our recommendation to conduct an additional bathymetric survey in Year 4 and agreed that chemical

- monitoring was not needed in 2023. DEQ also requested additional information that they wanted to see in the Year 3 Monitoring Report.
- On September 21, we submitted the *Draft PGM Year 3 Monitoring Report* to DEQ.
 - *Permitting*
 - On August 8, the City of Portland provided the completed LUCs form for the Joint Permit Application (JPA).
 - On August 9, Anchor QEA met with DEQ Section 401 staff and Sarah Greenfield to discuss the terms and conditions of the pending 401 Water Quality Certification.
 - On August 29, DEQ issued the 401 Water Quality Certification for the site.
 - On September 14, DEQ Section 401 staff provided an email with further clarification regarding water quality monitoring and management protocols during sampling and contingency cap or cover placement.
 - On September 20, NW Natural executed the Remediation and Habitat Restoration Easement Agreement (61743-RAEA) and on September 22, forwarded the agreement to the Oregon Department of State Lands for their signature and finalization.
 - *Institutional Controls*
 - No notices through the utility One Call system were received this quarter.
 - We are waiting on signatures from DEQ and City of Portland to finalize the Easement and Equitable Servitude documents on the PGM uplands.

Work Planned

- The *Draft Year 3 Monitoring Report* is currently in DEQ review. If DEQ provides comments on the report, the comments will be discussed and incorporated, as appropriate, in the *Final Year 3 Monitoring Report*.

Problems Encountered

- None this reporting period.

Please feel free to contact me at 503-924-6175 if you have questions about this work.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kendra Skellenger". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kendra Skellenger, PE
Anchor QEA, LLC

Cc: Bob Wyatt, NW Natural
Patty Dost, Pearl Legal Group
Dan Hafley, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
Heidi Nelson, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
Todd Thornburg, Anchor QEA, LLC
Jen Mott, Anchor QEA, LLC