

September 15, 2020

Hunter Young
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Re: Quarterly Progress Report for June 1, 2020, through August 31, 2020
Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for Removal Action
EPA Region 10 Docket No. CERCLA 10-2009-0255
Amendment No. 2 for Remedial Design at B1 Navigation Channel Project Area and
US Moorings Project Area

Dear Mr. Young,

This quarterly progress report provides information required by Section 4, Paragraph 4.1, of Appendix B of the Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for Removal Action (Order) Amendment No. 2 for actions taken from June 1, 2020, through August 31, 2020, at the Navigation Channel Project Area within the Portland Harbor Superfund Site.

1. Actions and Correspondences That Occurred in This Quarter

The following actions and correspondences occurred in this quarter:

- June 5 – Anchor QEA submitted the *Pre-Design Investigation Work Plan*.
- June 15 – Anchor QEA submitted the quarterly progress report for the period March 4, 2020, through May 31, 2020.
- June 16 – NW Natural received confirmation from EPA that the content of the quarterly progress report meets EPA's expectations.
- June 17 – NW Natural received EPA's comments on the *Pre-Design Investigation Work Plan*.
- June 24 – Anchor QEA submitted the *Sufficiency Assessment*.
- July 14 – Anchor QEA submitted the *Revised Pre-Design Investigation Work Plan* and associated responses to EPA's comments.
- July 28 – NW Natural received EPA's comments on the *Sufficiency Assessment*.
- August 4 – NW Natural received EPA's conditional approval of the *Revised Pre-Design Investigation Work Plan*.
- August 10 – Anchor QEA submitted the *Revised Final Pre-Design Investigation Work Plan* and associated responses to EPA's conditional approval requirements.
- August 14 – NW Natural received EPA's final approval of the *Revised Final Pre-Design Investigation Work Plan*.

- August 19 – Submitted the Application for Short-Term Access Agreement to the Oregon State Department of State Licensing (DSL) for completion of the EPA-approved pre-design investigation sampling within the Navigation Channel Project Area.

2. Results of Sampling, Tests, and Other Data Received

No results of sampling, tests, or other data were received during this quarter.

3. Schedule of Activities for the Next Quarter

The following activities are scheduled to occur in the next quarter:

- Submit a *Revised Sufficiency Assessment* that addresses EPA's comments.
- Complete the pre-design investigation field sampling in accordance with the EPA-approved *Revised Final Pre-Design Investigation Work Plan*.
- Receipt of executed Short-Term Access Agreement from DSL.

4. Challenges and Proposed Resolutions

No unresolved delays were encountered or are anticipated in the next quarter that may affect the future schedule for implementation of the scope of work. As of the date of this report, data collection has been suspended for several days due to hazardous air conditions associated with regional wildfires. We do not presently believe this suspension will materially affect the overall schedule.

5. Modifications to Work Plans or Schedules

No modifications were proposed or are anticipated in the next quarter.

6. Activities in Support of Community Involvement Plan

EPA has not requested any community involvement plan support from NW Natural.

Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,



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