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January 27, 2004

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Dear Ms. Dallas:

Re: Letter 2004-LTR-0706: Request for Ecology Concurrence for On-Loading/Off-Loading Non-Liquid and Non-PCB Materials in the MWF Yard

This letter is in response to Pacific EcoSolutions (PEcoS) above referenced letter to the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) dated January 12, 2004. PEcoS's letter requests Ecology's concurrence for on-loading and off-loading of containerized or monolithic non-liquid wastes in the Mixed Waste Facility (MWF) yard when it would be impractical to perform these operations in the indoor truck bay. The letter includes several attachments taken from the facility permit which indicate that yard loading and unloading operations of these wastes is acceptable.

Ecology has reviewed the above referenced attachments and concurs that loading and unloading of non-liquid containerized or monolithic wastes is allowable under the permit. Loading and unloading of liquid containing wastes is not allowed as the sump system to capture and contain possible spills in the MWF yard was never installed. Further, this concurrence pertains to Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) wastes only and does not include Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) liquids or solid debris.

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If you have questions, please contact me at (509) 736-5703 or sder461@ecy.wa.gov.

Sincerely,



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