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August 30, 2011

Mr. Matt D. Smith
2721 E. South Island Drive
Shelton, WA 98584

Dear Mr. Smith:

Re: Rescinding Water Quality Certification Order No. 8688 for U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Public Notice 2007-1721; Planting, maintenance and harvest of geoduck aquaculture farm within Pickering Passage Puget Sound, Mason County, Washington

On August 29, the US Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) cancelled your application for a Corps permit for the above referenced project. Water Quality Certification Order No. 8688 issued to you by the Department of Ecology (Ecology) on August 1, 2011, contained the following condition:

A.5 – This Order shall be rescinded if the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers does not issue a Section 404 permit.

Based on the Corps cancellation of your application and consistent with Condition A.5 of the Water Quality Certification, Ecology hereby rescinds Water Quality Certification Order No. 8688. If you choose to reapply for a Water Quality Certification, you must submit a new request which includes a completed Joint Aquatic Resource Permit Application form and drawings

If you have any questions, please contact Lori Ochoa at (360) 407-6926.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gordon White".

Gordon White
Program Manager
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