June 29, 2011

The Honorable Bud Norris, Mayor
City of Mount Vernon
PO Box 809
Mount Vernon, WA 98273

Re: City of Mount Vernon Comprehensive Shoreline Master Program Update
   Originally Adopted as Ordinance No. 3508 – Final Adoption as No. 3535

Dear Mayor Norris:

The Washington State Department Ecology (Ecology) received the city of Mount Vernon’s (City) email dated June 23, 2011, accepting all required changes and all but one of the suggested changes. Enclosed is an addendum to the Findings and Conclusions that records an alternative to Ecology’s suggested change as allowed by WAC 173-27-120(7.b.ii.). Also included in the addendum are additional changes requested by the City that addresses an inconsistency within the updated Shoreline Master Program.

Ecology finds that the alternative and new language is consistent with the scope of the original submittal, SMA policy and the applicable guidelines. The amendment is effective as of the date of this letter. As a reminder, you are now required to promptly publish a newspaper notice stating that Ecology has taken final action on the amendment. The publication of the notice begins a 60-day public appeal period.

Again, thank you for your efforts. If you have any questions, please contact our Regional Planner, Bob Fritzen, at Bob.Fritzen@ecy.wa.gov (360) 715-5207.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Ted Sturdevant
Director

Enclosure

By certified mail [7003 1010 0005 0569 1604]

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