

Before Version

January 28, 2003

Dear Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ :

Re: Site # \_\_\_\_\_ ,

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) is aware that the permit for the facility referenced above has expired. Ecology would like to work with you regarding compliance with the applicable underground storage tank (UST) regulations.

The Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 173-360-130 states that "...no underground storage tank as defined in this chapter shall be operated without a valid permit from the department or its delegated agency." Any business operating a regulated UST must display a current permit (i.e. Master Business License) with UST endorsements. Also, WAC 173-360-385 (2) states that "...Any UST system **not permanently closed** by a compliance date that the UST system is subject to, shall be in compliance with the requirement associated with the compliance date, **including the payment of fees.**"

While the Department of Licensing (DOL) issues permits, Ecology regulates underground storage tanks and works with businesses to establish compliance with applicable regulations in order to help protect the environment. I have been in contact with DOL to determine the status of your permit and they informed me that you are delinquent in your payment of tank fees. To better understand the reason for this delinquency and get this matter settled, please call me at (360) 407-7225 or DOL at (360) 664-1414.

To avoid a penalty from Ecology for operating without a valid permit, you will need to submit the necessary information/payment to DOL as soon as possible. Once you have received your site's Master Business License with current endorsements, please fax a copy to me at (360) 407-7154 no later than January \_\_\_\_\_, 2003.

Sincerely,

Gail Jaskar  
Underground Storage Tanks  
Toxics Cleanup Program