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VIA Email

Attention: Anna Coates

**Subject: Progress Report – December 2002
Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study/Interim Removal Action Measures
Astoria Area-Wide Petroleum Site
Astoria, Oregon
DEQ ECSI File #2277**

Dear Ms. Coates:

This letter presents the progress made by the PRP Group during December 2002 on RI/FS and IRAM Development at the Astoria Area-Wide Petroleum Site in Astoria, Oregon. This work is being conducted in response to DEQ Order No. ECSR-NWR-01-11.

WORK COMPLETED DURING DECEMBER 2002

Work continued on preparation of the technical memorandum documenting the results of the Phase 1 RI. This work included review of boring logs, edits to the database as a result of data validation activities, and preparation of figures.

Draft reports describing the results of the geophysical explorations and proposed storm water outfalls to be sampled were substantially completed in December and will be submitted to DEQ following review by the PRP Group. The updated schedule discussed with the DEQ at our last meeting indicates that the storm water documentation was to have been submitted in December. Completion of figures during the last two weeks of the year was delayed and this documentation is expected to be ready for submittal to the DEQ by January 31. Updates to the project schedule are presented below.

Water levels in existing monitoring wells surrounding the Port offices were measured during December. An evaluation of the analytical data collected from temporary wells was begun.

A meeting between the PRP Group and the DEQ was held on December 11 at the DEQ offices in Portland.

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WORK PLANNED FOR JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2003

A technical memorandum documenting the Phase 1 RI activities related to soil and presenting the data to DEQ will be completed for submittal during January 2003. This document will present the methods and procedures used during the field investigation, information about the data collected, boring logs, analytical data reports, and data validation reports.

A plan describing the proposed storm water monitoring locations will be submitted to DEQ in January. Storm water sampling at two proposed outfalls will begin once the sampling plan is approved by DEQ. The water-level monitoring program in existing monitoring wells will continue.

A technical memorandum summarizing the results of the geophysical explorations completed at select Area-Wide properties will be submitted to DEQ in February. A evaluation of beneficial land and ground water use within the Study Area will be provided to DEQ in February.

Currently, sediment sampling and development of a monitoring-well installation plan have not been scheduled. We will provide the DEQ an update to the schedule with respect to these tasks as soon as it is known.

SCHEDULE UPDATE

The following presents an update to the current schedule for upcoming deliverables or tasks being conducted as part of the RI/FS at the Astoria Area-Wide site.

Upcoming Task Or Deliverable	Current Scheduled Submittal Date	Revised Submittal Date
TM Phase 1 Source/Soil Characterization	1/27/2003	1/27/2003
TM Storm Water Documentation	12/23/2002	1/31/2003
TM Geophysical Explorations at Certain Properties	1/30/2003	2/14/2003
TM Beneficial Ground Water and Land Use Study	2/7/2003	2/21/2003

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PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED AND RESOLUTIONS

There were no problems encountered requiring resolution.

CLOSING COMMENTS

Please call me at (503)768-5121 if you have any questions or comments regarding this progress report.

Sincerely,
EnviroLogic Resources, Inc.

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