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In Re: Grays Harbor Paper LP, Draft Agreed Order

Ms. Toffol,

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on the above referenced draft document. I have not completed my review, but I wanted to share a major concern, so that it is addressed during the cleanup process.

The first page of the fact sheet that was recently distributed includes a map of the site, outlined in red. It lists the address of the sites as The site is located at 801 23rd Street in Hoquiam (Grays Harbor County), WA. It lists Rayonier A.M. Properties LLC as the current owner/potentially liable party (PLP). The Draft Agreed Order includes a lot of information that indicates that past practices may have resulted in pollution outside of the boundaries of the pulp mill that are indicated on the map.

From my limited research, I believe that there are additional property owners in the general area of the site, including but not limited to City of Hoquiam, Port of Grays Harbor, and Hoquiam Riverview Properties.

Please update the Agreed Order to require sampling/characterization of all adjacent properties, including Rennie Island. Please include the areas where past practices piped effluent and/or wastewater into the Harbor, and areas where effluent and/or wastewater was piped to Rennie Island.

Thanks for this opportunity to comment.

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