

Kyle Berquist

I am submitting comments on behalf of nearly 1,500 Earthjustice supporters. You can read their individual comments in the attached document.

**Jill Lynn, Amboy, WA**

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**Janet marshall-mcconnell, Anacortes, WA**

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**Virgene Link-New, Anacortes, WA**

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**Mary Ferm, Bainbridge Island, WA**

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**Ernie Williams, Bainbridge Island, WA**

I'm writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. It's 2024, time to stop what we know to be dangerous. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

**Katherine German, Bellevue, WA**

I'm writing to request that you require Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant to clean up what they are discharging into Puget Sound. PBDEs, PFASs and nutrient pollution should be kept out of our waterways. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. So much effort is being put into protecting salmon and orcas so we don't lose them - this is an important step in making sure they have somewhere clean to live. There is no point in spending billions of dollars to repair culverts for salmon and protect orcas if we are just going to poison them. There is a reason PFAS are called 'forever chemicals' - they don't breakdown and there is no safe level of exposure. I have a son with autism and the incidence of this disability is increasing. We have to stop dumping chemicals into our environment thinking they are safe and then trying to clean them up later - we are all paying for this pollution even if only through higher taxes to support people who are unable to work because of disability. Please get tougher and stop the discharge of pollutants into our environment . The permit renewal to the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant is a great place to make changes to the process. Thank you.

**Ann Wahl, Bellevue, WA**

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**Ellen Zarter, Bellevue, WA**

I am surprised that I have to ask you to take action at the Everett Wastewater Treatment plant. You should be doing this as a matter of routine. Nevertheless, I encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

**Paul Elder, Bellevue, WA**

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**Nancy Bue, Bellevue, WA**

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**Betty McNiel, Bellevue, WA**

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**Carol Reed-Jones, Bellingham, WA**

I'm writing to urge you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. This is a health hazard to all life. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

**Gary Ranz, Bellingham, WA**

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**Desiree Douglass, Bellingham, WA**

I support Northwest Tribes, Earth Justice, and others working to protect and restore Salmon and Orcas in the Salish Sea. Earth Justice's letter, below details the problem and necessary actions by Ecology to bring the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant into the higher standards that we need if we are going to be successful. Please review their permit closely and require the changes to protect the Salish Sea from pollutants. Sincerely, Desiree Douglass I'm writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

**Erin Moore, Bellingham, WA**

I'm writing about the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant and to encourage you to implement strong measures in the plant's wastewater discharge permit. To protect our precious salmon, orcas, and humans, the city of Everett must reduce harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk.

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**Jane Bright, Bellingham, WA**

Please prioritize the safety of our habitat for both people and the ecology that supports salmon and orcas by requiring pollutants be removed from wastewater. The technology exists. It is only a matter of exercising the authority you already have to do what is right for the public. I strongly encourage you to implement effective measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant’s industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren’t sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. Please put people and our habitat above profits For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound’s persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

**Edward Wolf, Bellingham, WA**

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**Briana McElfish, Bellingham, WA**

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**Linda Zapote Gregory, Bellingham, WA**

I live in the region where orcas habituate and am concerned about their very critical status. For that

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**K. eggers, Addy, WA**

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**Barbara Francis, Bellingham, WA**

C'mon!! This is ridiculous and wrong that harmful levels of pollutants are being discharged into the Puget Sound PLEASE, do the right thing and implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

**Deborah Parker, Bellingham, WA**

Dear DoE, Please, urgently implement strong and effective measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will require greatly reduced discharges of dangerous PBDEs, PFAS, as well as nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these harmful pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. This is unacceptable! PFAS and nutrient pollution are now pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved local waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are harming threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done NOW, to reduce these waste streams that are KNOWN to damage our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the

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**Paula Rotondi, Bellingham, WA**

If people alive twenty years from now are to have more than a last dying remnant of the former marine version of the Garden of Eden we must stop polluting Puget Sound now. Unfortunately generations of ignorance and inaction have brought us to the present dire situation but at least we do have solutions. I encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

**Laura Brakke, Bellingham, WA**

I am asking DOE to be proactive now, to stop this abuse of the Common Spaces-- I'm referring to allowing Everett treatment plant to discharge cancer causing chemicals and forever chemicals into the Sound. The frightening amount of chemicals in our water affects all life. Human, animal, fish, crustacean, plant, kelp, eelgrass..... all life now is contaminated! Once in the Salish Sea it travels everywhere. I am writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring

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**Jerilyn Hall, Bonney Lake, WA**

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**Greg Armstrong, Bothell, WA**

I recreate in this area of Puget Sound and forage (when and where legal) for shellfish, salmon, Dungeness crab etc., and I've just been diagnosed with kidney cancer... I'm writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges.

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**Tobey Nelson, Clinton, WA**

Please don't renew the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant unless stronger action is taken to prevent discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. We must do all we can to protect the health of ourselves as well as the marine ecosystem. Please demand strong measures to stop the discharges of these chemicals. Make the permit require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. Set close-horizon deadlines for industrial users to reduce source controls to reduce and prevent both PFAS and PBDE discharges. The permit should also set low limits for the amounts of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged to prevent nutrient pollution. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our

marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. Be a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

**Sejo Jackson, Clinton, WA**

As a local fisherman, clammer, crabber, oyster grower, and wildlife advocate living on Whidbey Island, I am concerned about pollution entering our marine waters. As well, I am aware that water treatment utilities have not done all they could have to support legislation that would have further limited PBDE releases in the environment, so have not helped address this problem 'upstream.' I'm writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

**d robinson, Curlew, WA**

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**marjorie Fields, Edmonds, WA**

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**Clara Ann Cleve, Edmonds, WA**

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**M Janet Nelson, Ellensburg, WA**

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**Cydney Gillis, Everett, WA**

I live in the Delta Neighborhood in Everett very close to the Snohomish River. It's bad enough that I live in the arsenic left by the Asarco, but we are simply losing the battle of saving the native salmon. It is imperative that you implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant to reduce harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges.

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**Wanda Crawford, Federal Way, WA**

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**Dorothy Walker, Gig Harbor, WA**

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**Frances Walker, Gig Harbor, WA**

The Everett Wastewater Plant's dangerous pollution of PBDEs & PFAs must be stopped post haste. Please implement robust rules/laws to end this toxic pollution of our Salish Sea & Puget Sound. The salmon and whales dwindling numbers are a testament to this toxic discharge. Sincerely, Frances Walker

**Sharon Dunn, Greenbank, WA**

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**Cathy Brandt, Issaquah, WA**

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**Shannon Pickard, Kenmore, WA**

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**Patrick Conn, Kent, WA**

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permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. There SHOULD BE NO EQUIVOCATION HERE! The Department of Ecology has an immediate opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants. Not to act now is UNCONSCIONABLE!

**JOSEPH A BARRECA, Kettle Falls, WA**

I'm writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. I used to eat clams we got along the beaches of Puget Sound. Hope people can do that again some day. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

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**Lynn Erckmann, Kirkland, WA**

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**Sharon D'Amico, Kirkland, WA**

I'm writing to ask that you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Please!-- for the sake of our children and theirs, the sake of our fragile environment --require a more stringent permit that would require the City of Everett plant to reduce harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution into the Snohomish River and Puget Sound. Strong pollution control measures – combined with adequate monitoring – are essential to protect both people and wildlife. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine

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**Kevin Gallagher, Lake Forest Park, WA**

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**Holly Masri, Longview, WA**

I'm writing to urge you to implement much stronger protective measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways... and Puget Sound is a particularly vulnerable area. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, critically endangered orcas, and people – and more MUST be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts! The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

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**Dorothy Jordan, Lynden, WA**

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**Michael Olcsvary, Lynnwood, WA**

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**Derek Benedict, Lynnwood, WA**

We must protect the Puget Sound and Salish Sea at all costs in order to protect our ecological biome here in the great Pacific NW. So I'm writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

**Norm Conrad, Mount Vernon, WA**

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**Gloria McClintock, Mount Vernon, WA**

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**Alix Foster, Mount Vernon, WA**

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**Libby Meador, Ocean Shores, WA**

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**Darcy Leach, Olga, WA**

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**Arly Crawte, Poulsbo, WA**

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**Pat Layden, Seatac, WA**

I'm writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. These elements can cause serious damage to sea creatures and humans. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. Please note, the science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

**Rhona Schwartz, Seattle, WA**

My family and I urge you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant, which will reduce discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive locally and nationwide. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State

can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

**Ralph Myer, Seattle, WA**

I'm writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANTS ARE A PRIMARY SOURCE of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that PRETREATMENT agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should SET DEADLINES for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should SET LIMITS on the levels of nitrogen (N) and phosphorous (P) that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the RENEWAL OF THIS PERMIT to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants. IT IS TIME TO PRIORITIZE PLANET OVER PROFIT\$.

**Arnold and Judith Bendich, Seattle, WA**

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environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

**Dr. Demian, Seattle, WA**

Hi: Please take strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Please require pre-treatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users. Please include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. Permits should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. Permits should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Permits should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. Please protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. Thank you. Dr Demian

**Beck Stanley, Seattle, WA**

I'm writing to STRONGLY encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

**Uta Rockel, Seattle, WA**

I'm writing to strongly encourage you to implement robust measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and

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**MLou christ, Seattle, WA**

Humans can & should deal with all their own waste! I'm writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

**Dr Demian, Seattle, WA**

Hi: Regarding the the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant; Please implement strict rules in order to reduce harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. For PBDEs, the Department of Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements, with each of the plant's industrial users, include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. Permits should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly

sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. The permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Thank you. Dr. Demian

**Sara E Eldridge, Seattle, WA**

Please Lead efforts to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. As you all know well, wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. Please employ your authority, education, expertise and experience, with the clear science that these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. Please take responsibility to protect our people from PBDEs. Ecology must require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

**Pamela A Okano, Seattle, WA**

Salmon and orcas are iconic to the Pacific Northwest. That's why I'm writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett

and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

**Maureen Kill, Seattle, WA**

Hello. Why are you polluting the home of our fish and our whales and all our fragile sea life? They're endangered because of your actions and only you have the power and the responsibility to change that and protect our precious marine lives. PLEASE implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Do you want your children drinking this poison? You're killing us and our sea creatures. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

**Jennifer Simpson, Seattle, WA**

Stop the forever chemicals going into our precious waters! I'm writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts

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**Sandra Ciske, Seattle, WA**

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**Mary Cogan Paterson, Seattle, WA**

Please implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant, to reduce harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. These pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous

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**Kim Maynard, Seattle, WA**

I am deeply concerned about how much pollution we are creating and am invested in doing everything we can to protect our ecosystems and food webs - which ultimately protects us as well. I'm writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

**Andrea Faste, Seattle, WA**

Please implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Tighter regulation of pollutants will help reduce harm to the salmon in the waters of the Salish Sea. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce

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**Katherine Pierini, Seattle, WA**

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**Randall Collins, Seattle, WA**

I strongly urge you to immediately implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant which is emitting harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution into the Puget Sound. It has been well-known for a long time that wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound. Alarmingly, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling.

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**Irene Svete, Seattle, WA**

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**Joanne Watchie, Seattle, WA**

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**Sue Rooney, Seattle, WA**

I realize that online campaigns are rarely considered 'direct input' from local citizens. I hope that you will take the time to note that I am deeply concerned by the untreated chemicals flowing into the Salish Sea from Everett's under-performing technology. At this point in our understanding of pervasive chemicals entering waterways, it is simply unacceptable to allow the municipality of Everett to continue discharging harmful toxins into the water. I'm writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

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**Bonnie Bledsoe, Seattle, WA**

Why are we polluting Puget Sound...affecting the health of all creatures in the Sound, orcas and salmon among them? Please regulate the wastewater discharge for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant to reduce harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. The science is clear that these are harmful. They are found in our salmon, and we eat the salmon along with the orcas. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

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I am upset to find wastewater full of toxic elements (PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution) is being discharged regularly into Puget Sound. Why are we not protecting the creatures in Puget Sound from these toxins, and also us! High rates of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas and human breast milk! This is a serious crisis. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

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**Spike Mafford, Seattle, WA**

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**Sharon Burke, Seattle, WA**

You must stop the discharge of PFAS chemicals, oxygen-killing nitrogen and other toxic chemicals coming from the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant. These harmful chemicals have been detected in much of

our marine life, including our endangered salmon and orcas. They are showing up in humans as well. Stopping these dangerous discharges should be a no-brainer for the Department of Ecology. The damage that we humans have done, and are continuing to do, to the planet's biodiversity is reaching a tipping point. Even the UN recognizes that we are on the verge of a mass extinction event caused solely by human activity, so why aren't we doing more to prevent this? Between global warming and rampant chemical pollution, we seem to be on a path to annihilate life on the planet. Shame on us. I hope you will give us some hope out here and do the right thing concerning the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant.

**Marcia Rutan, Seattle, WA**

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**Jennifer Hiebert, Seattle, WA**

I write to you as a senior citizen who has worked for and been concerned about environmental issues all of my life. I live in Seattle, so the issue of pollution in the Puget Sound is particularly important to me. I'm writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

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### **Minerva Hodis, Sequim, WA**

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**Sheri Staley, Shelton, WA**

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**Janet Way, Shoreline, WA**

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**Toni Penton, Snohomish, WA**

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**Gary Albright, Snohomish, WA**

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**priscilla martinez, Snoqualmie, WA**

I'm writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wildlife are God's creations, we need to take better care of them, and their environment. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

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**kirsten underwood, Spokane, WA**

I'm writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. I used to live on The Sound until four years ago, so this particular pod of whales is very close to my heart and I know from lived experience that when we Washingtonians diminish these whales we diminish ourselves. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine

environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

**Carrie Anderson, Spokane, WA**

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**Cheryl Mitchell, Spokane, WA**

I am an attorney in Spokane, Washington and I'm a former chairperson of the Washington State Bar Association's Animal Law Section. My comments are my own and do not represent the views of either the Bar Association or the Animal Law Section. My reason for writing is to ask that you to implement strong measures that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant . Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of PBDEs and PFAS. It is scientifically established that In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. We need to minimize these pollutants to the maximum degree possible. For PBDEs, the Department of Ecology should require contractual agreements with each of the plant's industrial users which will include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges. The Department of Ecology should also require concrete steps to be taken in order to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, permits should establish deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting. There must be the implementation for monitoring of PFAS and for pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Additionally, each permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to reduce PFAS levels. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable. Using these standards will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. This should not be a political decision--it must be based on science. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity, through the renewal of this permit, to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants. State agencies need to work for 'the people' and NOT for Big Business interests.

**Debbie Stempf, Spokane, WA**

I'm writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS,

and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. How we can allow these sorts of discharges from one of our Washington wastewater treatment plants is beyond me. Please work to rectify this situation. Thank you.

**Rose Fanger, Spokane, WA**

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**Barbara Arnzen, Spokane, WA**

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**James Rutherford, Spokane Valley, WA**

I'm writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. We eat them off our nonstick cookware, they are in our water from firefighters at the airport and Fairchild, so I'm sure SeaTac and Boeing have much the same. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

**John Francis, Sultan, WA**

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**Marcia Jacobs, Sumner, WA**

We must protect our salmon and our endangered orcas who depend on them. This is not debatable - populations of both of these signature northwest species are in decline and must be protected. We cannot force them into extinction. So, I'm writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is totally clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

**Kathryn Wilham, Suquamish, WA**

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**John Garner, Tacoma, WA**

We can no longer afford to wait to enforce water quality regulations that are needed to protect salmon in Puget Sound. I'm writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

**Lawrence Savidge, Tacoma, WA**

Please know that my family and I support the strongest measures against pollution. That includes the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant. As a resident of Ruston Point, we soak in the Puget Sound on hot summer days and do polar plunges in the winter. We see orcas sometimes from our shores. We enjoy the sanctity and purity of those waters. Please do everything in your power to reduce harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Here are some recommendations: -require pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges -Set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting - implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices, -Perform ongoing quarterly sampling. -Set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous discharges It's time we prioritize the health of our waters. Thank you!

**Jean Maust, Tenino, WA**

Hello, As a former employee of Dept of Ecology, I know how difficult environmental improvements can be. But there is nothing more important than caring for our planet and all living systems. Now I am writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant to keep PBDEs, PFAS, and other harmful discharges out of our waters. Please make sure that the permit renewal for wastewater treatment in this part of the state protects our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. Lead the way to higher environmental standards as we have done before. Thank you.

**jessica mcnamara, Tonasket, WA**

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**JJ Lindsey, Tumwater, WA**

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**Susan Crampton, Twisp, WA**

I live in eastern Washington but have come through Puget Sound area on Amtrak and visited friends in the Puget Sound area, and have been very surprised and disgusted at the things that I have seen and heard about discharge of wastewater and other pollutants into the Sound. As we all become aware of the problems with how things have been done, please take action as our responsible agency for environmental quality in Puget Sound. Please take care of a significant problem and be an example : ). Thank you. I support the letter from Earthjustice below. ----- I'm writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

**Roger Martin, University Place, WA**

I have long been disappointed by Washington's failure to adequately regulate pollutants in the very sensitive estuarine environment of Puget Sound. Lax enforcement seems rampant in WA-based businesses. Just look at the Air Force KC-46 tanker. It has never met spec. The 737MAX8's twice- fatal flaw(s) still remain(s) unidentified to the public, and finger-pointing is just beginning for the MAX9. The

radioactive leaks at Hanford still haven't been stopped. Please do your part to actually stop ongoing damage. I'm writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent nutrient pollution problems – Everett and Ecology just need to listen to the experts. The Department of Ecology has an opportunity through the renewal of this permit to do more to protect our marine environment, salmon, orcas, and people. We hope Washington State can become a leader in these efforts by issuing a permit that will reduce our exposure to these pollutants.

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**Henry Roller, Walla Walla, WA**

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**Roxanne Hinkle, West Richland, WA**

I am writing not just as an environmentalist but from an Alaska who lives in wa.state and utilizes those waters I kayak canoe and small boat those waters I am in that water alot I'd hate to think I'd be effected my family and grandkids and so many others ..Not only do we need to protect our realize from military sonar that kills many and beachside them but now waste water it saddens me we should be caring for the water..please please would you like your children in those waters knowing what you do I'm writing to encourage you to implement strong measures in the wastewater discharge permit for the Everett Wastewater Treatment Plant that will be effective in reducing harmful discharges of PBDEs, PFAS, and nutrient pollution. Wastewater treatment plants are a primary source of these pollutants. In Puget Sound, high levels of PBDEs have been found in salmon, orcas, and also in human breast milk. PFAS and nutrient pollution are pervasive nationwide, including in our beloved waterways. The science is clear on this matter – these pollutants are causing harm to threatened salmon, endangered orcas, and people – and more must be done to prevent these waste streams from harming our communities and aquatic ecosystems. For PBDEs, Ecology should require that pretreatment agreements with each of the plant's industrial users include quarterly monitoring of PBDE discharges and with concrete steps to reduce these discharges. For PFAS contamination, the permit should set deadlines for industrial users to conduct initial sampling and reporting, and to implement monitoring and pollution prevention and reduction practices. The permit should also require that industrial users conduct EPA-recommended ongoing quarterly sampling. Further, the permit should require the plant itself to evaluate strategies to reduce PFAS if source control efforts aren't sufficient to bring PFAS levels down. For nutrient pollution, the permit should set limits on the levels of nitrogen and phosphorous that can be discharged. Scientists have already established limits that are achievable and will help address Puget Sound's persistent

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