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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. The science is clear on this matter – 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 environments. 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.