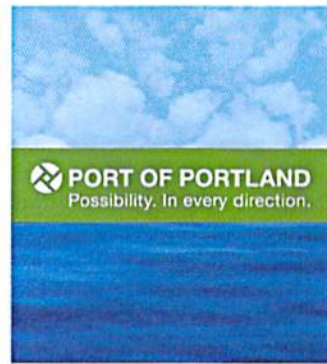


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**Re: Request for Investigation of Perfluorinated Compounds
Portland Airport Fire Training Pits
ECSI #3324**

Dear Mr. Hafley:

In your letter dated September 22, 2016, the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) put the Port on notice of its potential liability for suspected contamination at current and historical fire training areas at PDX and requested that the Port enter the Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP) with the DEQ to conduct an investigation. On October 21, 2016, the Port requested an extension to DEQ's 30-day response deadline. We appreciate your patience in allowing the Port additional time to reach out to the various stakeholders who benefit from the services of the Portland International Airport Fire Department or the fire training facilities at PDX. This is the Port's response to the September 22 letter.

The Port is willing to perform a remedial investigation (RI), including of PFOS and PFOA, under DEQ's VCP for the historical fire training facilities sites that are described in ECSI No. 3342 under a VCP agreement. ECSI 3342 is immediately adjacent to the Port's active fire training area used by the Port and the Oregon Air National Guard. The Port previously completed investigatory work on the historical facilities in the 1990s to address past releases of petroleum hydrocarbons. The Port provided project files to DEQ in 2002 for review, but the site was not formally closed. The Port anticipates its remedial investigation will build on this prior work.

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The Port's main concerns looking forward are related to uncertainties around the risks actually posed by PFOS and PFOA and maintaining our ability to meet FAA fire and life safety standards.

As you are aware, the National Guard Bureau is currently conducting its own investigation of PFOA and PFOS within the confines of the current Portland Air National Guard base, located in the southeast portion of PDX property. We have asked the Portland Air National Guard to participate in this remedial investigation as well.

The Port appreciates the cooperation of the DEQ in this matter and looks forward to working together. I will contact you the week of December 5, 2016, to discuss next steps, including a few necessary modifications to the form of DEQ's letter agreement to adapt it to the Port's circumstances. If you have any questions about this letter, please contact me by email at stan.jones@portofportland.com or at 503-415-6679.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Stan Jones', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the left.

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