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Weyerhaeuser Company
ADVICE OF DEPOSIT

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FIFTY AND 00/100 USD

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AMOUNT :

FUNDS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON :

09/22/2008
WASHINGTON DEPT OF ECOLOGY
1500451740
PO BOX 47611
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PAYMENT NO. :

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LOC.	INVOICE NO.	REFERENCE NO.	AMOUNT	DEDUCTIONS	NET AMOUNT
WA737	WATER PERMIT		50.00		0.00
	50.00	08-326073			

TOTAL

50.00



120 Industrial Way
Longview, WA 98632

Date: 9/22/08

To: Department of Ecology
P.O. Box 47611
Olympia, WA 98504-7611

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Subject: Certificate of Water Right (Permit #S2-30032)

Dear Sir,

Please find attached is our application for a water right permit. We are requesting the need to withdraw 30 acre ft. of water annually on a seasonal basis, started in the summer of 2009. The need for this request is derived from two key components as explained below: the prevention of log decay and stabilizing the core temperature of our log decks.

Our hardwoods mill in Longview manufactures alder and maple lumber for the cabinet and case good industry. Alder is known for its consistent honey toned color and reliable milling properties. Our business sells alder and maple world wide. Alder production is about 92% of our overall manufacturing.

Alder logs start to decay at five to six weeks of age. As a result of the decay, the wood starts to stain, which appears as a red or brown stain. These stains are inconsistent with the honey toned color expected by our customer and therefore, when the stains occur, the value is greatly reduced. In the worst case, the log stain is significant enough that usable product is lost completely and has to be chipped.

Through our studies along with other industrial studies pertaining to the degradation of logs, we have found that the application of water minimizes the stains because it prevents oxygen penetration of the logs and stabilizes the log core temperature. However, once we begin watering logs, we need to continue on a 24 hour basis. As mentioned above, our raw material has a shelf life of five to six weeks, from the time of harvesting to the time the wood enters the kilns for drying. By watering the logs during the drier summer months, that shelf life extends to approximately thirteen weeks. The extended storage time of the logs allows us to take advantage of prime harvest season and build inventories for the winter months of production.

Therefore, our plan to address the staining issue is as follows:

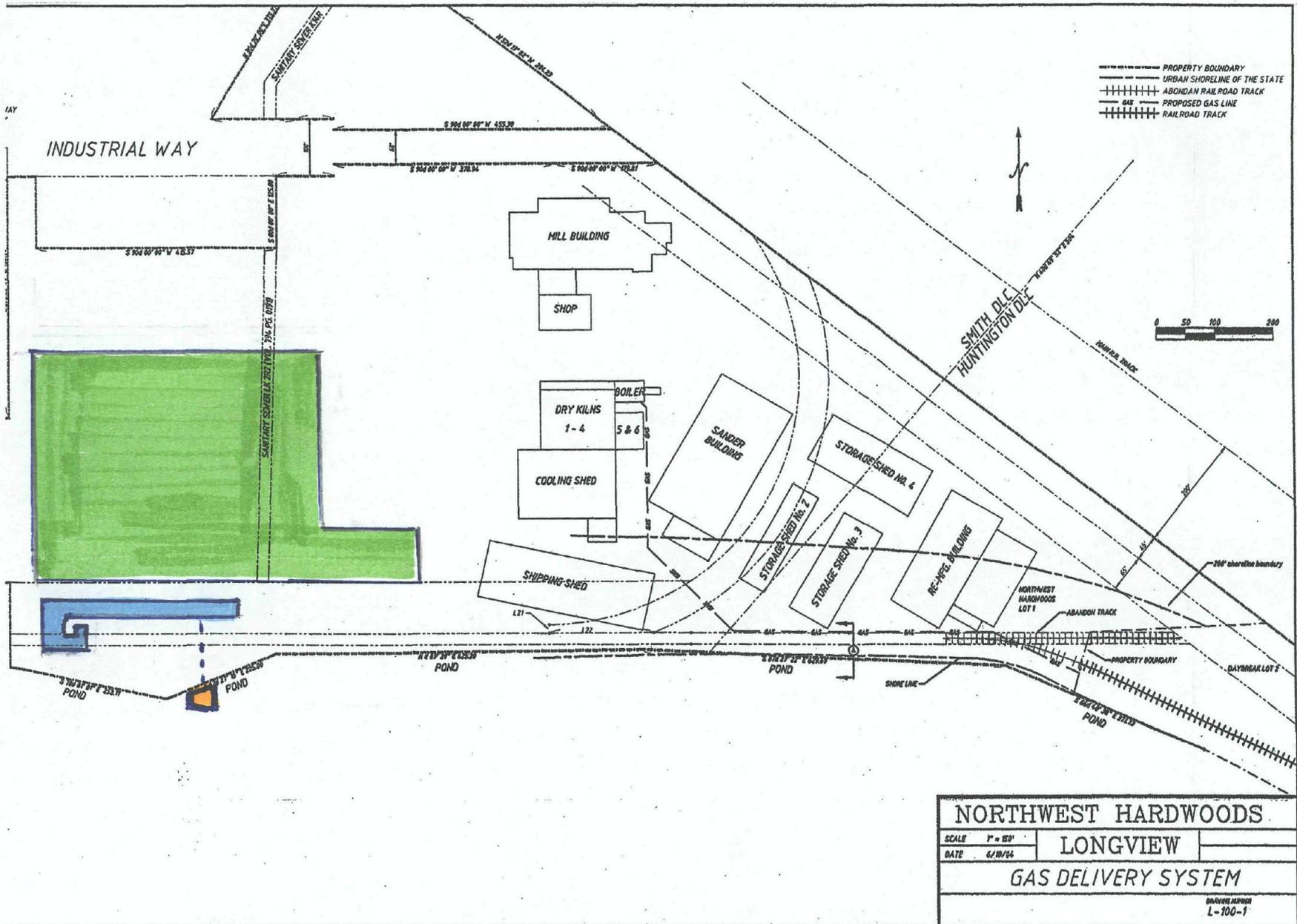
- 1.) Obtain permission for water withdrawal of 30 acre ft.
- 2.) Improve coverage of log decks by increasing sprinkling guns from three to six.
- 3.) Operate sprinklers 24 hours during summer months, which are typically May to October.

As you can see, our request for the increased water withdrawal is imperative to not only our quality of product, but to the sustainability of our log usage from the point of harvesting to the final product.

If I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me at 360-577-6678 or 360-431-3009 (cell).

Respectfully,

Rodney B. Smith
Environmental Coordinator
Enclosure (12)



- = Existing point of diversion/withdrawal
- = Place of use
- = Storage Area

