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March 23, 2004

Peter Brooks, P.E.  
Water Resources Manager  
City of Lacey  
P O Box 3400  
Lacey WA 98509-3400

Dear Mr. Brooks:

Re: Total Annual Quantity for Lacey's Water Rights

After reviewing Lacey's Draft 2003 Water System Plan (WSP), and subsequently discussing the comments with Julie Rector, it appears there is some confusion regarding the total annual quantity of Lacey's water rights. From my evaluation, the supposed "cap" that was placed on the rights was not meant as a limiting factor, but as a summary of Lacey's water rights at the time.

Ecology issued permits G2-27371, G2-27372, and G2-27373 in 1993 pending completion of Lacey's comprehensive plan that was being developed at that time. In 1993, the integrated system did not include the satellite systems under water right certificates G2-23936C (Beachcrest 1), which allocated 211.7 acre-feet per year (afy), G2-24547C (Beachcrest 2), which allocated 90 afy, and G2-20882C (Nisqually No. 19A), which allocated 270 afy.

Consequently, water rights for the main water system should have increased when the Beachcrest and Nisqually satellite water systems were connected to the main water system, and when other water rights associated with acquired service area were transferred to the main system. Other water rights associated with new service area include 3718-A for 112 afy and G2-26623B for 132 afy (source noted as Madrona Nos 1 & 2 in Table 1-3 of the 2003 WSP).

On May 6, 2002, Ecology amended permit G2-27373 to allow 918 acre-feet per year, increasing the annual quantity of Lacey's rights to 6,991 afy, based on the 1996 Comprehensive Plan's water demand for 1999 (six year planning horizon from 1993). Again, this did not include additional systems that were not part of Lacey's main integrated system in 1993. The annual quantity of Lacey's water rights that were not part of the main integrated system in 1993 totals 815.7 afy. Therefore, as of this time, the annual quantity of the water rights for Lacey's main system should total 7806.5 acre-feet per year.

Please do not hesitate to give me a call at 407-0290 if you have questions regarding this information.

Sincerely,

Debra Hunemuller  
Water Resources Program

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cc: Julie Rector, Water Resources, City of Lacey  
Don Davidson, Water Resources Program





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June 4, 2002

Peter Brooks, P.E.  
Water Resources Manager  
City of Lacey  
P O Box 3400  
Lacey, WA 98509-3400

Dear Mr. Brooks:

As requested by Julie Rector, I am writing to confirm the annual quantity of water authorized to the City of Lacey through our issuance of Amended Permits G2-27371, G2-27372, and G2-27373.

Originally issued in March 1993, Permits G2-27371, G2-27372, and G2-27373 authorized an additional primary and/or supplemental withdrawal, to meet the City's water need in 1993. This permitting action effectively capped the City of Lacey's water rights with an allocation not to exceed 6,073 acre-feet per year. Each permit was issued on an "interim basis", pending completion of the City of Lacey's Comprehensive Water System Plan, with the provision that the annual allocation could be amended.

The City of Lacey completed the Comprehensive Water System Plan, and that plan was approved by the Department of Health. The city identified a total water requirement of 6,991 acre-feet per year to meet the water demand in 1999 (six year planning horizon from 1993). On May 6, 2002, we took the following action to adjust the City's water rights to allow a total annual withdrawal of 6,991 acre-feet per year under all City of Lacey water rights:

Issued Amended Permit G2-27371 to allow a withdrawal of 1,026 acre-feet per year as primary supply, 264 acre-feet per year as supplemental supply, unchanged from the original permit.

Issued Amended Permit G2-27372 to allow a withdrawal of 1,290 acre-feet per year as supplemental supply, unchanged from the original permit.

Issued Amended Permit G2-27373 to allow a withdrawal of 918 acre-feet per year as primary supply, 372 acre-feet per year as supplemental supply.

All of the above-referenced permits for municipal supply fall within the boundary of the Thurston County reservation area, and were amended to show the priority date as August 13, 1986, as provided by Chapter 173-591, the Reservation of Future Public Water Supply For Thurston County.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Don Davidson  
Water Resources

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May 6, 2002

City of Lacey  
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Lacey WA 98509-3400

Dear Sir or Madame:

Re: Ground Water Amended Permit No. G2-27371

Enclosed is Amended Permit No. G2-27371. Our information indicates that your system has been completed.

Also enclosed is a Proof of Appropriation form, which is to be filed when the water has actually been put to full beneficial use. You must contact this office if you cannot put the water to full beneficial use by **March 1, 2013**. Please read the enclosed information sheet, as well as both sides of your permit.

**The statutory recording fees are to be sent in as two separate remittances in the form of checks or money orders. Cash will NOT be accepted. Send both remittances to the Department of Ecology.**

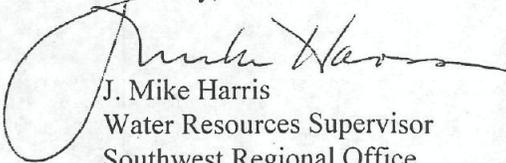
\$5.00 payable to the Department of Ecology

AND

\$11.00 payable to the **Thurston** County Auditor

Also, the County Auditor is requiring us to have the parcel number(s) for the point of diversion/withdrawal and the place of use added to your certificate for recording. Please supply these numbers to us and we will forward them to the County Auditor with your certificate for recording.

Sincerely,

  
J. Mike Harris  
Water Resources Supervisor  
Southwest Regional Office

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