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June 24, 2009

Mike Anderson, Mayor
City of Sedro-Woolley
325 Metcalf St
Sedro-Woolley, WA 98284

Dear Mayor Anderson:

Re: Outstanding Wastewater Treatment Plant Award for the Sedro Woolley
Wastewater Treatment Plant with National Pollutant Discharge Elimination
System (NPDES) Permit No. WA0023752C.

The Department of Ecology's Northwest Regional Office recognizes the City of Sedro-Woolley for the outstanding operation of its wastewater treatment plant throughout 2008. We are honored to extend our congratulations and appreciation for this remarkable achievement.

Meeting all of the permit limits, sampling and reporting requirements, and overall operational demands of your NPDES permit is a significant achievement. Ecology understands that it takes diligent operators and a strong management team, working effectively together, to ensure this high level of compliance. Plant staff must often work long hours and maintain constant vigilance to prevent and respond to any operational problems. Operators conduct thousands of water-quality monitoring tests throughout the year. Beyond this, plant operators must closely communicate with their management, notifying them of any problems and updating them on the efforts to resolve issues. All of these functions are essential for successful operation of the treatment system.

Ecology would like to specifically recognize the certified operators for their hard work, resourcefulness, and award-winning efforts. We are grateful for your dedication to protect the Skagit River, a great natural and recreational resource of the Northwest. We look forward to your continuing excellence in the coming years.


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Thank you for the excellent service you provide and congratulations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Kevin C. Fitzpatrick". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial 'K'.

Kevin C. Fitzpatrick
Water Quality Section Manager

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Cc: Mark Freiberger, Public Works Director
Debra Allen, Plant Supervisor
Alison Evans, Ecology Facility Manager