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Mr. Andy Dunau Spokane River Forum Dunau and Associates 2206 S. Sherman Avenue Spokane, WA 99203

Dear Mr. Dunau:

During a recent August 9, 2011, meeting between the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, the Washington Department of Ecology, the Spokane Tribe and the Environmental Protection Agency regarding a Spokane River Regional Toxics Task Force, agency representatives discussed options for sharing documents and disseminating information. One of the options offered and discussed was using the Spokane River Forum as a web-based communication tool.

On behalf of the agencies listed above, we appreciate this offer of assistance and would like to take advantage of this opportunity to use the technical and administrative services offered by the Spokane River Forum, on a short term basis, to accomplish our communication objectives. Your services will be especially helpful for registering a domain for the Spokane River Regional Toxics Task Force, e-mail communications between agencies and setting up a simple web page for posting materials.

We expect that the Spokane River Regional Toxics Task Force will be operational on November 30, 2011, including the selection of a coordinator or facilitator. At that time, the technical and administrative services provided by the Spokane River Forum will shift to the Task Force facilitator. We appreciate the fact that Spokane River Forum is willing to provide these services in the context of your mission to be a clearinghouse and information exchange for the Spokane River. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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