



July 22, 2026

Kevin Parrett
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Department of Environmental Quality
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Re: Certification of National Priority List Deferral Agreement, Astoria Marine Construction Company, 92134 Front Road Astoria, Oregon, EPA Site ID#OR0002392793

Dear Mr. Parrett:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) received the letter from the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), dated June 02, 2026, certifying the completion of investigative and remedial actions at the Astoria Marine Construction Company (AMCCO) Site ("Site") located in Astoria Oregon. The EPA deferred consideration of the Site for listing on the National Priorities List (NPL) established under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. § 9601 et. seq. ("CERCLA" but commonly referred to as "Superfund"), while the DEQ directed and oversaw necessary investigations and remedial action. This arrangement is formally set forth in the Deferral Agreement entered into between the EPA and the DEQ on September 10, 2012. The EPA previously reviewed the Remedial Action Completion Report provided by the DEQ, dated December 22, 2025, which demonstrates that Site conditions are now protective of public health and the environment and that remedial activities completed at the Site have otherwise met the requirements of the Deferral Agreement.

The DEQ informs the EPA in the certification letter that public participation and community involvement were sought by the DEQ during the course of the response actions and that there has been no public objection to either the Deferral Agreement or the listing deferral decision made by the EPA. In addition, the DEQ explains that natural resources trustees and the public were kept apprised by the DEQ about conditions and response actions at the Site, and that no comments were received by the DEQ in opposition to the decisions made for the Site.

Through this letter the EPA is confirming the response actions for the Site are complete and that no further action under Superfund is warranted at this time. Consistent with Paragraph V of the Deferral Agreement, the Site status in the Superfund Enterprise Management System (SEMS) database,

formerly known as the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Information System (CERCLIS), will be updated to reflect a status of 'Region Confirmed Successful Deferral Completion'.

In accordance with the EPA's policy regarding the tracking of sites that have successfully completed state deferral and for which no Superfund response action is anticipated, the Astoria Marine Site will be removed from the SEMS inventory and placed in a separate archival database as a historical record. The archive designation represents a decision that no further interest exists at the Site under the Superfund program based on information provided by the DEQ. The EPA may perform a re-evaluation of the Site while it is archived if Site conditions change or new information becomes available.

Feel free to contact me at wroble.julie@epa.gov or (206) 553-1079, with any questions or concerns. You may also contact Hunter Young, the EPA Remedial Project Manager for the Site, at young.hunter@epa.gov for Site-specific questions.

Sincerely,

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