

January 28,2022

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Mr. Steve Dietrich Lane Regional Air Protection Agency 1010 Main St. Springfield, OR 97477

RE: J.H. Baxter & Co. Intentions

Dear Mr. Dietrich,

As you know, J.H. Baxter & Co. is mothballing its Eugene wood preserving facility effective January 31, 2022. This decision was made for a number of reasons including rising costs associated with operating the facility and dwindling sales margins due to shifts in the market.

Although our treating operations will be suspended, our intention is to comply with all regulatory requirements including stormwater, groundwater, and process water treatment. Daily inspections will also be done to ensure environmental safety and compliance. In addition, Baxter intends to use 83 retort to reclaim wood preservative oil from our process water. This will be done with the use of the heating, vacuum, condensing and Carbon Absorption Systems. Treated process water will be evaporated in accordance with our current permit. Hazardous waste generated will continue to be managed under current profiles and stored in our 90 day hazardous waste shed.

There will be a small crew on-site to make sure all water systems remain operational and in compliance with all environmental and safety regulations.

We would be happy to have a call with you to answer any questions regarding the status of the facility.

Sincerely,



