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REGISTERED MAIL

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Deep Water Recovery Ltd. 1500-570 Granville ST Vancouver, BC V6C 3P1

Dear Deep Water Recovery Ltd.,

Re: Refusal of your Application for a Permit under the Environmental Management Act

This letter is to inform you that Deep Water Recovery's (DWR's) application with tracking number 416364, for authorization under the *Environmental Management Act* (EMA) to discharge effluent from three sumps at 5084 Island Highway South in Union Bay, BC, is refused. You were informed of the ministry's intent to reject the application by way of letter dated November 23, 2023 and you were provided an opportunity to be heard. No response to that letter was received by the ministry by the requested deadline and no additional information has been provided to support the application. Therefore, the application is refused on the basis of insufficient information.

Although the current application has been refused, you are encouraged to reapply should your operations continue to be prescribed under the Waste Discharge Regulation. Please note that commercial waste management activities require authorization to discharge effluent into the environment per section 6(2) of EMA. This includes stormwater discharges and discharges from intermittent operations. You are encouraged to apply as soon as plans for the facility are confirmed, as timelines for ministry processing and applicant information gathering can be lengthy. For details on how to apply and information on the application process please visit the <u>Waste Discharge Authorizations</u> website.

This decision may be appealed to the Environmental Appeal Board in accordance with Part 8 of the Environmental Management Act. An appeal must be delivered within 30 days from the date that notice of the decision was given. For further information, please contact the Environmental Appeal Board at (250) 387-3464.

If you have any questions, please contact me and include your tracking number.

Yours truly,

Andrea Doll, MASc, PAg for Director, Environmental Management Act