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VIA EMAIL and Registered Mail

Grace-Mar Farms Ltd. 9259 Main Street Chilliwack BC V2P 6K2

Attention: John Kampman, Director Margaret Tenbrinke, Director

RE: Amendment to Work Plan Prepared for Grace-Mar Farm Ltd. pursuant to Pollution Abatement Order #108389

Further to my July 29, 2016 letter approving the environmental impact assessment Terms of Reference and Work plan for Grace-Mar Farm Ltd, I have received information from the Ministry of Agriculture on the final terms of reference (as described in Schedule A of the attached Invitation to Quote) for a study entitled Tracking Post-Harvest Soil Nitrate in Agricultural Fields over the Hullcar Aquifer. The purpose of this letter is to advise that participation in this study would meet the sampling requirements of Work plan Task 6: Review Post-Harvest soil sampling results, and I am hereby amending the Work Plan so that you have the option of participating in this study as an alternative to fully implementing Task 6. To be specific, pursuant to my authority under section 2 of the Pollution Abatement Order, I am amending the work plan as follows:

Despite the above, Task 6 will be considered to be complete if Grace-Mar Farm Ltd. participates fully in the Ministry of Agriculture study entitled Tracking Post-Harvest Soil Nitrate in Agricultural Fields over the Hullcar Aquifer by:

(a) allowing the employees or contractors of the Ministry of Agriculture on the Lands to carry out the sampling described in the Schedule A for that study, and do all such other things as are necessary for the completion of that study;

(b) confirming your participation to myself of Dave Poon by September 20, 2016

(c) Ministry of Agriculture will provide you with the soil data for your farm operation by October 15, 2016 for completion of the Task 6 review of the soil sampling results and inclusion in Task 7: Conduct EIA.

Grace-Mar Farm Ltd will still be responsible for developing management strategies for nutrient application on fields that may be identified as having elevated nitrate levels as part of the Action Plan required by item 4 of the Pollution Abatement Order. If you choose not to participate in the

study, the Work Plan Task 6 and Work Plan Task 7 are still required as per the July 2016 Terms of Reference and Work Plan for Grace-Mar Farm Ltd Farms Ltd.

We look forward to hearing from you as to whether or not you will participate in the Ministry of Agriculture study.

All other terms and conditions of the Terms of Reference and Work plan as required by Pollution Abatement Order #108389 including the July 29, 2016 amendments issued to Grace-Mar Farm Ltd. remains in effect.

If you have any questions with regard to the work plan amendment, please contact me at (250) 356-8185, or Dave Poon at (604) 556-3098 or <u>David.Poon@gov.bc.ca</u>.

Sincerely,

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