

9200 S.E. 57th Street
Mercer Island, WA 98040
July 4, 2018

RECEIVED

JUL 05 2018

CITY OF MERCER ISLAND
DEVELOPMENT SERVICE GROUP

Evan Maxim, Interim Director
Development Services Group
City of Mercer Island
9611 S.E. 36th Street
Mercer Island, WA 98040

Re: CAO 15-001, SEP 15-001, VAR 18-002

Dear Mr. Maxim,

My wife and I own property on the ridge which forms the southern boundary of the steep ravine in which the Applicant seeks to build a house and improvements. The proposed house and improvements are in the wetlands at the base of the ravine and are in very close proximity to the streams in the ravine. We have strongly opposed this project in the past and now express our opposition in the above cases. We support your Determination of Significance. It appears that later this year our home will be sold to our son, David Anderson. He also joins in opposing the Application and joins in this letter.

We have submitted to the Hearing Examiner in this case a formal written Argument, dated February 13, 2017, and a written argument to the City, dated November 28, 2016. These arguments are incorporated herein by reference. The latest application has not resulted in any changes which address the points made by these arguments, and these arguments are still applicable.

Paragraph 5 of the Conclusions of the Hearing Examiner Decision, dated March 8, 2017, provides:

The technical report provided by Applicant is not sufficient to determine if the project meets the reasonable use exception criteria to the degree it fails to provide an analysis of "potential adverse impacts to adjacent and down-current properties." MICC 19.07.060 and MICC 19.16.010.

It is therefore very clear that the Hearing Examiner found the reports submitted at the hearing by the Applicant were insufficient. I have carefully reviewed the latest application and its exhibits. The insufficiency found by the Hearing Examiner simply has not been cured by the latest application and exhibits.

From the latest submitted plans, it also appears that Applicant has not even followed the recommendations of its own experts. I plan to continue to study this matter carefully and reserve

the right to submit to you or to the Hearing Examiner additional arguments, facts, and observations.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Peter M. Anderson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'P' and a long, sweeping underline.

Peter M. Anderson