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Mr. Matthew S. McCormick, Manager
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Re: Letter (11-AMRC-0176), July 19, 2011, from Joe R. Franco, U.S.Department of Energy to Ms. Jane A. Hedges, Washington State Department of Ecology, Nuclear Waste Program regarding Certification of Clean Closure for the 331-C Storage Facility

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Dear Mr. McCormick:

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) has completed its review of the 331-C Storage Facility closure certification. On February 15, 2011 Ecology conducted a physical walk through of the facility to verify the completion of closure. Ecology determined that the closure activities were performed in accordance with the approved closure section of the Hanford Dangerous Waste Permit. The closure certifications were prepared in accordance with Washington Administrative Code Chapter173-303-610. Based on the information provided in the closure certification letter and the results of our visual verification, Ecology hereby accepts the certificate of clean closure for the 331-C Storage Facility.

In order to complete closure of this Resource Conservation and Recovery Act treatment, storage, and/or disposal unit, Ecology requests that USDOE submit the Part A, Form 3 for this unit stamped "Closed", with the current date.

If you have any questions, you may contact me at (509) 372-7924 or Rick Bond of my staff at (509) 372-7885.

Sincerely,

Ron Skinnarland
Section Manager
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