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Dear Ms. Hedges:

INTEGRATED 100 AREA REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION/FEASIBILITY STUDY WORK PLAN, ADDENDUM 5: 100-NR-1 AND 100-NR-2 OPERABLE UNITS, DOE/RL-2008-46-ADD5, DRAFT B, AND SAMPLING AND ANALYSIS PLAN FOR THE 100-NR-1 AND 100-NR-2 OPERABLE UNITS REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION/FEASIBILITY STUDY, DOE/RL-2009-42, DRAFT B

This letter responds to the State of Washington Department of Ecology's (Ecology) letter dated May 19, 2010, advising the U.S. Department of Energy Richland Operations Office (RL) that comments on the Integrated 100 Area Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) Work Plan, Addendum 5: 100-NR-1 and 100-NR-2 Operable Units, DOE/RL-2008-46-ADD5, Draft B, and Sampling and Analysis Plan for the 100-NR-1 and 100-NR-2 Operable Units Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study, DOE/RL-2009-42, Draft B will be provided by June 21, 2010, representing a 60-day Ecology review period.

RL finds this schedule acceptable, but, of necessity must rely on the Tri-Party Agency's August 11, 2009, mutual agreement to a day-for-day extension for Tri-Party Agreement Target Date M-015-62-T01. Target Date M-015-62-T01 requires the submittal of the 100-N Feasibility Report and Proposed Plan. This mutual agreement was added to the text of Major Milestone M-015-00 by the Tri-Party Agency's approved Tri-Party Agreement Change Form M-015-08-07 and applies to this M-015 workscope. This mutual agreement specifies that "a day-for-day slip in submitting the feasibility study report and proposed plan milestone will be given for each day the RI/FS work plan is not approved following six months after submittal." In this case the slip will begin on June 30, 2010, and extend to the final approval of the subject RI/FS work plan. An appropriate Tri-Party Agreement change form will be submitted at that time, for your agencies approval, to document the final due date of M-015-62-T01. This action is necessary due to the extended review period which shortens the already aggressive schedule for completing RI/FS characterization scope and preparation of the 100-N Feasibility Report and Proposed Plan.

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If you have any questions, please contact me, or your staff may contact Briant Charboneau, of my staff, on (509) 373-6137, or Joe Franco, Assistant Manager for the River Corridor, on (509) 376-6628.

Sincerely,



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