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Mr. D. A. Faulk, Program Manager
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Dear Mr. Faulk:

NOTIFICATION THAT HANFORD FEDERAL FACILITY AGREEMENT AND CONSENT ORDER (TRI-PARTY AGREEMENT) MILESTONE M-015-38B, "SUBMIT A REVISED FEASIBILITY REPORT AND REVISED PROPOSED PLAN(S) FOR THE 200-CW-1, 200-CW-3, AND 200-OA-1 OPERABLE UNITS FOR WASTE SITES IN THE OUTER AREA OF THE CENTRAL PLATEAU TO EPA," OCTOBER 30, 2014, IS IN JEOPARDY OF BEING MISSED

The purpose of this letter is to formally notify the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) that the subject Tri-Party Agreement Milestone is in jeopardy of being missed for good cause as determined by the Tri-Party Agreement under Articles XL and XLVII, paragraphs 120 and 147. Congressional funding levels for the Department of Energy Richland Operations Office (RL) being below the President's Budget requests for prior years, as well as the impacts of the Fiscal Year 2013 Budget Control Act (sequestration) and Fiscal Year 2014 Continuing Resolution places Tri-Party Agreement Milestone M-015-38B at risk of being unrecoverable by October 30, 2014.

RL has kept EPA informed of the status of this project through the quarterly Tri-Party Agreement milestone reviews and the Project Managers meetings where the status of this milestone has previously been reported as "To be missed." A new proposed schedule based on the President's 2015 Budget proposal and site clean-up priorities will be developed. Currently, based on the need to complete and gain approval of the work plan, implement the sampling and analysis plans, and evaluate obtained data in order to prepare the report required by the milestone, it is anticipated it would take approximately three to four years from the resumption of work to complete the milestone. In addition, remediation of the waste sites covered by these Operable Units represents relatively low risk reduction potential relative to other site activities. In view of these factors, it may be advisable to significantly extend the current due date. The attached Tri-Party Agreement change control form M-15-14-01, proposes determining a date for completion of the milestone by October 30, 2014. After discussions with EPA, the revised date would be established by processing a Tri-Party Agreement change control form.

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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.

Sincerely,



Ray J. Corey, Assistant Manager
for the River and Plateau

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Attachment

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Change Number M-15-14-01	Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order Change Control Form	Date July 7, 2014															
Originator R. J. Corey		Phone (509) 373-9971															
Class of Change <input type="checkbox"/> I - Signatories <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> II - Executive Manager <input type="checkbox"/> III - Project Manager																	
Change Title Extend Milestone due date for interim TPA Milestone M-015-38B.																	
Description/Justification of Change TPA Interim Milestone M-015-38B, Submit a revised Feasibility Study Report and revised Proposed Plan(s) for the 200-CW-1, 200-CW-3, and 200-OA-1 Operable Units for Waste Sites in the Outer Area of the Central Plateau to EPA, is due October 30, 2014. Activities that support the generation of the report and the Proposed Plan have been delayed due to Congressional funding levels for RL being below the President's Budget requests for prior years, as well as the impacts of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2013 Budget Control Act (sequestration) and FY 2014 Continuing Resolution. A new proposed schedule based on the President's 2015 Budget proposal and site clean-up priorities will be developed. RL will submit a Tri-Party Agreement change control form reflecting the revised schedule by October 30, 2014. <i>Description/Justification of Change continued on next page.</i>																	
Impact of Change This change will allow this scope to be accomplished as part of the strategic approach to complete documentation for the Central Plateau operable units. When the FY 2015 budget is better understood a new schedule can be developed in coordination with EPA.																	
Affected Documents The Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order (HFFACO), as amended, and Hanford Site internal planning management, and budget documents.																	
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Modifications are denoted by using ~~strikeout~~ to indicate text deletions and double underline to indicate text additions.

Number	Milestone	Due Date
M-015-38B Lead Agency: EPA	Submit a revised Feasibility Study Report and revised Proposed Plan(s) for the 200-CW-1, 200-CW-3, and 200-OA-1 Operable Units for Waste Sites in the Outer Area of the Central Plateau to EPA	<u>Revised due date to be identified by</u> 10/30/2014