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Dear Ms. Hedges:

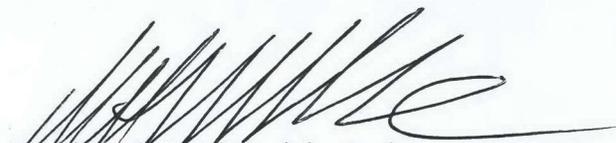
COMMENTS REQUESTED FOR SGW-35643, EXTERNAL REVIEW DRAFT, DATA QUALITY OBJECTIVES SUMMARY REPORT FOR WEST LAKE IN THE 200-UR-1 UNPLANNED RELEASES WASTE GROUP OPERABLE UNIT

The purpose of this letter is to request that the State of Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) and the Tribes provide comments regarding the SGW-35643, External Review Draft, Data Quality Objectives Summary Report for West Lake in the 200-UR-1 Unplanned Releases Waste Group Operable Unit. This document was hand delivered to Ecology during a December 17, 2007, meeting between the U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office, Fluor Hanford, Inc., and Ecology. Subsequent meetings were held with Ecology throughout January and February to further review and discuss the document. The final meeting was held on February 28, 2008.

Tri-Party Agreement Milestone M-15-00C, "Complete all 200 Area Non-Tank Farm Operable Unit Site Investigations under Approved Work Plan Schedules through Submittal of Feasibility Study Reports and a Recommended Remedy," includes the West Lake Waste Site (216-N-8) in Operable Unit 200-UR-1.

Comments are being requested by May 16, 2008, in order to finalize this document and commence preparation of the Sampling and Analysis Plan and subsequent documents supporting physical characterization. If you have any questions, please contact me, or your staff may contact Briant Charboneau of my staff on (509) 373-6137.

Sincerely,


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