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Mr. David A. Brockman, Manager
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Re: 600 Area Purgewater Storage and Treatment Facility, Modutank #2

Reference: Letter to Ms. Jane A. Hedges, Ecology, from Mr. David A. Brockman, USDOE, "600 Area Purgewater Storage and Treatment Facility Modutank #2 Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) of 1976 Protective Filing," dated March 30, 2009.

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Dear Mr. Brockman:

This letter is in response to your request for concurrence from the Department of Ecology on the regulatory status of the 600 Area Purgewater Storage and Treatment Facility, Modutank #2. Ecology agrees that Modutank #2 has not accepted dangerous waste or contaminated environmental media subject to dangerous waste management requirements. Therefore, Ecology will not object to the United States Department of Energy (USDOE) proceeding with removal of the Modutank #2 liner to accommodate the expected reconstruction of this unit as part of a Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 removal action. Proceeding in this manner will not adversely affect or be affected by future Ecology permitting actions that may be necessary to satisfy regulatory requirements applicable to Modutank #1 and #2.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 509-372-7924, or Rick Bond, Program Specialist for Transition Project at 509-372-7885.

Sincerely,

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HF Operating Record: HF RCRA Permit/600 Area PSTF: TS-6-1