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Re: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Comments on Action Memorandum for
Non-Time Critical Removal Action for 200-MG-2 Operable Unit, DOE/RL-2009-37,
Draft A

Dear Mr. McCormick:

Please find enclosed EPA comments on the above-referenced document. If you have
questions or concerns, please contact Laura Buelow at (509)376-5466.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Laura Buelow".

Laura Buelow
Project Manager

Enclosure

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EPA Comments on 200-MG-2 Action Memorandum

Comment Number	Page Number	Paragraph	Comment
1	1	1, line 4	Typo- 200-MG-2 OU
2	1	1, line 5	Typo- <u>human</u> health
3	1	2, last sentence	Responses did not change the EE/CA, but the comment from Oregon DOE about groundwater was addressed by adding an RAO (RAO #3).
4	1	3, line 1	Region <u>10</u>
5	1	Section 2, 2 nd paragraph.	The explanation of the 34 waste sites chosen is awkward. " Many of the 200-MG-2.....however only Thirty-four...". "The remaining 35 waste sites <u>were not included in the EE/CA...</u> " Need to identify what process these 35 waste sites will go through (e.g., another EE/CA or RI/FS process).
6	2	1	This is not very clear as to what sites could enter the MG-2 OU as part of the plug in. The EE/CA described a plug in to allow sites to change from CS/NFA to RTD and vice versa. This paragraph is very vague.
7	4	3, 2 nd sentence	Change to " <u>Per the TPA</u> , DOE is submitting the Action Memorandum to EPA..."
8	5	2 nd	Change to "The RALs will be based on the removal action objectives noted above. The RALs will be developed and documented in the Removal Action Work Plan. These RALs will be based on..." Delete the other sentences (sentence 2 and 3). If the RAWP is issued before the central plateau strategy is done, then the RALs can be changed in the RAWP.
9	5	2 nd	Delete "exclusive" from "industrial exclusive"
10	5	2 nd , 2 nd to last sentence	Clearly state that all of these waste sites are in the industrial zone of the central plateau.
11	7	3 rd full paragraph	Delete paragraph ("Extent of excavation..."). This is fully explained in the preceding paragraph.
	8	1 st paragraph under 5.6	Delete first paragraph and milestone.

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