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Dear Messrs. Ballard and Rasmussen:

Re: Extension of Ecology's review of the Calendar Year (CY)2002 Hanford Site Land Disposal Restrictions (LDR) Report

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) is reviewing the United States Department of Energy's (USDOE) CY2002 LDR Report which was submitted on April 29, 2003 in accordance with Tri-Party Agreement (TPA) Milestone M-26-01M.

In accordance with the Milestone M-26-01M, this report is to be submitted as a primary document. As such, TPA, Chapter 9, requires the lead regulatory agency to respond within 45 days. Since Ecology received the report on April 29, 2003 our response is due by June 16, 2003. Ecology is in the final stages of preparing this response and needs to extend the comment period by one month. Ecology's response will be provided to USDOE by July 16, 2003.

If you would like to discuss this letter, please contact me at (509) 736-5715.

Sincerely,

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