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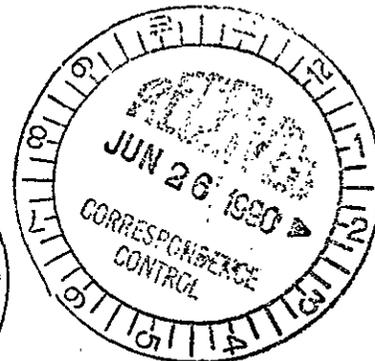
Dear Messrs. Day and Nord:

2101-M POND CLOSURE PLAN (MILESTONE NUMBER M-20-04)

Reference: Letter, T. L. Nord, Ecology, to S. H. Wisness, DOE-RL, "Comments on the 2101-M Pond NOD Response Table," dated May 2, 1990.

The U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office (DOE-RL) is in receipt of the Washington State Department of Ecology's (Ecology) comments on the 2101-M Pond Notice of Deficiency (NOD) Response Table, dated May 2, 1990. Ecology requested that DOE-RL submit the revised 2101-M Pond Closure Plan by June 2, 1990. Although the majority of the proposals have been accepted by Ecology, a number of major issues that are pertinent to clean closure have not been resolved. Issues that will require resolution prior to revision of the 2101-M Pond Closure Plan include:

- o establishment of background constituent concentrations for groundwater and soil quality criteria
- o determination of the acceptability of the 2101-M Pond soil background sampling sites
- o determination of the E18-1 Groundwater Monitoring Well as the up-gradient/background well
- o demonstration that the 2101-M Pond has not degraded or significantly impacted groundwater quality
- o development of physical and procedural controls to prevent discharges of dangerous wastes to the 2101-M Pond.



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The referenced issues are relevant to clean closure of the 2101-M Pond, and thus should be resolved prior to the revision of the 2101-M Pond Closure Plan. As Ecology expressed in the referenced letter dated May 2, 1990, a number of these issues will be resolved at the unit manager's level. After the resolution of all issues associated with clean closure of the 2101-M Pond, a schedule can be established for submittal of the revised 2101-M Pond Closure Plan.

A unit managers meeting was held on June 8, 1990 to discuss the issues identified with the 2101-M Pond Closure Plan and the comments regarding the 2101-M Pond NOD Response Table. Due to the number and magnitude of unresolved issues, it has been suggested that a minimum of three additional unit managers meetings should be conducted. The proposed meetings have been scheduled as follows:

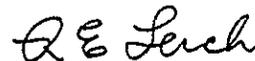
- o July 11, 1990, Lacey, Washington
- o August 15, 1990, Richland, Washington
- o September 19, 1990, Lacey, Washington.

If you have any questions or comments pertaining to the 2101-M Pond Closure Plan or related issues, please contact Mr. C. E. Clark of the DOE-RL on (509) 376-9333, or Ms. C. J. Geier of the Westinghouse Hanford Company on (509) 376-2237.

Sincerely,



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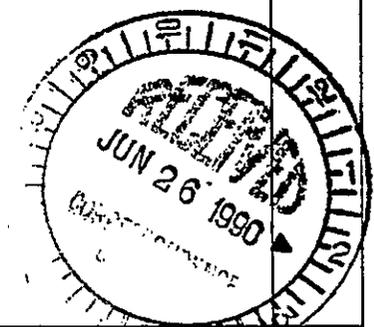
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