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Dear Messrs. Sherwood and Stanley:

PERMITTING ACTIVITIES TO BE PLACED ON HOLD FOR THE GROUT TREATMENT FACILITY
(WA7890008967) (TSD: TD-2-1)

This letter requests that all permitting activities for the Grout Treatment Facility (GTF) be placed on hold (i.e., Part A and Part B permit application efforts, Notice of Deficiency [NOD] comments, Unit Managers' Meetings, etc.).

As stated in the Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order, Change Control Form M-60-93-01, "The DOE will maintain in a standby condition the capability to restart the grout facility if its operation is necessary before new double shell tanks are available to provide tank space to resolve safety issues." We therefore propose that the Hanford Facility Dangerous Waste Permit Application, GTF Part A and Part B permit applications and the outstanding NOD's be shelved in their present condition.

We would appreciate written concurrence with this approach from the State of Washington Department of Ecology and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency by June 1, 1994. If we have not received a response by that date, we will assume acceptance of our proposal. However, all permitting activities associated with the GTF will cease immediately.

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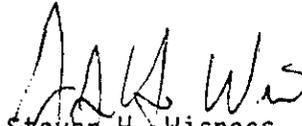


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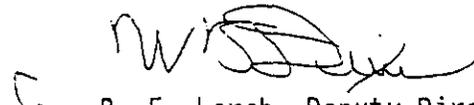
Should you have any questions, please contact Mr. C. E. Clark, U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office, on (509) 376-9333 or Mr. R. C. Bowman, Westinghouse Hanford Company, on (509) 376-4876.

Sincerely,



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