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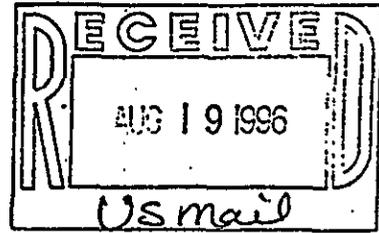


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Dear Mr. Alm:

The Washington State Department of Ecology, Nuclear Waste Program (Ecology) has reviewed the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Tank Waste Remediation System (TWRS-EIS) and finds it acceptable for public release pending incorporation of the changes agreed to during the comment resolution meeting August 6-9, 1996. We appreciate how quickly and cooperatively our agencies and Jacobs Engineering Group have worked to revise the Draft EIS. We look forward to the public release of the EIS on August 30, 1996.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at (360) 407-7150 or Geoff Tallent at (360) 407-7112.

Sincerely,

Mike Wilson |js|

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