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Mr. James E. Rasmussen, Director
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U. S. Department of Energy
Richland Operations Office
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Dear Mr. Rasmussen:

Re: Closure Certification for the Waste Water Pilot Plant

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) received the Certification for Closure for the Waste Water Pilot Plant (WWPP) on February 3, 1998, from the U.S. Department of Energy (USDOE), Richland Operations Office. Filtration testing was conducted on a filter test skid located at the Liquid Effluent Retention Facility under the Final Joint Permit for Dangerous Waste Research, Development, and Demonstration (RD&D) Treatment and Storage Activity, Permit # WA7 89000 8967. The filtration testing was the only testing completed under the permit because the WWPP described in the RD&D Permit Application was never constructed.

With the submission of the professional engineer's certification that closure was completed according to the requirements of the RD&D Permit, Ecology considers this unit closed. Ecology understands no further work is planned under the permit and the RD&D Permit will be allowed to expire on June 6, 1998.

If there are any questions about this letter, please contact me at (509) 736-3011.

Sincerely,

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Administrative Record: Liquid Effluents Consent Order

