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Mr. Thomas W. Ferns
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Dear Mr. Ferns:

The Yakama Indian Nation is requesting an extension of the comment period for the Revised Draft Hanford Remedial Action EIS and Comprehensive Land Use Plan (DOE/EIS-0222D). This EIS has been under development for many years and we will need more than 45 days to have it reviewed by our various internal entities.

We would also like to request that DOE make a presentation on the Land Use Plan to our Radioactive/Hazardous Waste Committee. Our comments will be submitted after this presentation, so the comment period need to be extended to accommodate this.

Sincerely yours,

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