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Dear Messrs. Klein and Hebdon:

Re: Transmittal of the Hanford Facility Dangerous Waste Part A Permit Application, Form 3, for the 1706-KE Waste Treatment System, Revision 5 and the Hexone Storage and Treatment Facility, Revision 5 (04-OES-0049)

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) has received and reviewed the United States Department of Energy's (USDOE) above-referenced Part A permit applications. Revision 5 of the 1706-KE Waste Treatment System and Revision 5 of the Hexone Storage and Treatment Facility (Hexone) are approved.

Please note for future reference, during its review, Ecology determined the Hexone Part A, Form 3, Revision 5 modification as submitted to be a Class 2 modification (Revision 5 added 14 dangerous waste codes to the Part A application as a result of characterization sampling and analysis for the 276-S-141 and 276-S-142 tanks [aka Hexone tanks]). Ecology has determined that the appropriate classification for this change is a Class 1<sup>Prime</sup> in accordance with Washington Administrative Code 173-303-830(d)(ii). In the future, Ecology will evaluate similar situations on a case by case basis.

Additionally, any outstanding pending Part A revisions for the above referenced units are hereby deemed denied.

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Again, USDOE and contractor staffs are encouraged to discuss proposed Class 1 changes with Ecology's Unit Managers to clarify any questions or concerns.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (509) 372-7894.

Sincerely,



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