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Dear Mr. Klein:

Re: Application for Renewal of State Waste Discharge Permit ST 4500

Your application for renewal of State Waste Discharge Permit ST 4500 from the 200 Area Effluent Treatment Facility (ETF) to the State Approved Land Disposal Site (05-AMCP-0153) was received by the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) on February 3, 2005. Ecology is currently reviewing the application for completeness. Once the application is determined to be sufficient, Ecology will begin preparing a Draft Permit in accordance with Washington Administrative Code 173-216.

Ecology does not find it necessary to have a public notice of reapplication. However, Ecology will have a public notice of Draft Permit. Those dates will be provided to the United States Department of Energy-Richland Operation Office with the submittal of the Draft Permit.

Ecology is acting on the new Permit and expects to issue it by August 5, 2005. The current Permit will remain in effect until the new Permit is issued.

As Ecology moves forward with the permitting process, I will notify you of any additional data needs. If you or your staff have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (509) 372-7890.

Sincerely,

Kathy Conaway
Kathy Conaway
ETF Permit Manager
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