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TRANSMITTAL OF BHI-01521, DRAFT B, "EVALUATION OF ALTERNATIVES FOR THE INTERIM STABILIZATION OF THE HEXONE TANKS"

This letter transmits to the State of Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) the subject document for your review.

Draft B provides the complete conceptual, rough order of magnitude, life cycle costs for all stabilization alternatives including clean-closure as requested by the letter from Fred Jamison, dated May 22, 2001. This revision also includes the result of the sampling and analysis events of the two Hexone tanks that were not available at the time of Draft A to BHI-01521.

It is requested that all comments from Ecology be submitted no later than August 16, 2001. Once comments have been received, they will be resolved and incorporated, and the document retransmitted for approval.

If you have any questions regarding this transmittal, please contact me on (509) 372-2282.

Sincerely,

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Attachment

cc w/attach:
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Admin Record (200 Area Hexone Tanks)

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