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Re: Ecology's Review and Response to the United States Department of Energy's (USDOE) Calendar Year (CY) 2005 Land Disposal Restrictions (LDR) Summary Report, DOE/RL-2006-23, Revision 0, submitted according to Milestone M-26-01P

Reference: Letter 06-AMPC-0251, from K. Klein, USDOE-RL, to J. Hedges, Ecology, *Calendar Year (CY) 2005 Hanford Site Mixed Waste Land Disposal Restrictions (LDR) Summary Report (DOE/RL-2006-23) Comment Responses*, dated July 17, 2006.

Dear Mr. Klein and Mr. Schepens:

The USDOE submitted the LDR Summary Report on April 28, 2006, as a primary document according to the Hanford Facility Agreement and Consent Order (Tri-Party Agreement), Milestone M-26-01P. The Department of Ecology provided comments on the 2005 LDR Summary Report and received your responses on July 20, 2006. These responses reflect comment resolution agreed to during recent Tri-Party Agreement LDR Project Manager Meetings.

Ecology approves the USDOE's CY 2005 LDR Summary Report as noted on the enclosed approval page. We believe the use of this year's reporting format was successful and the submittal of a Summary Report should be continued. We also believe the full LDR Report contains valuable information that should be available to Ecology and the public.



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We request that USDOE submit a TPA change package to modify Milestone M-26 to include additional annual submittals of the LDR summary report. The full LDR report should be submitted every five years. The next full LDR report should be submitted in calendar year 2010. Regardless of the report format being prepared, we expect the data collection process to remain the same. Any information normally available from the full LDR report should be collected yearly and available upon request.

If you have any questions, call me at 509-372-7929.

Sincerely,



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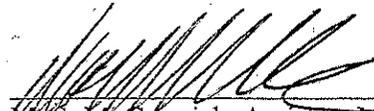
**PRIMARY DOCUMENT STATEMENT**

**CALENDAR YEAR 2005 HANFORD SITE MIXED WASTE LAND  
DISPOSAL RESTRICTIONS SUMMARY REPORT**

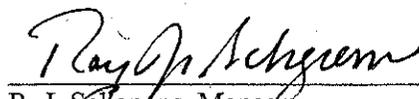
Approval of the U.S. Department of Energy's annual land disposal restriction report as a *Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order* primary document shall be by written approval of U.S. Department of Energy and Washington State Department of Ecology Interagency Management Integration Team representatives.

This document has been prepared, submitted, revised, and approved as a primary document in response to the requirements of the *Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order* milestone series M-26-01 and related *Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976* land disposal restrictions and *Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order* requirements. As such, this document serves as a binding and enforceable document under the *Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order*.

Approved and issued this 9<sup>th</sup> day of August 2006.

  
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