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Ms. Mary Riveland, Director
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Department of Ecology
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Dear Ms. Riveland:

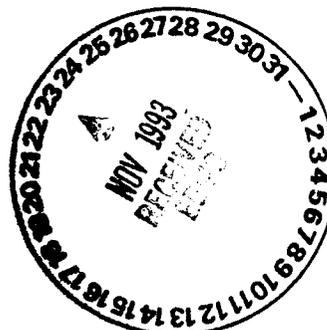
STATE LEASEHOLD LOCATED ON THE HANFORD SITE

The U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office (RL) desires to enter into discussions with your office regarding the non-utilized 900 acres of the Washington State (State) 1,000 Acre Leasehold.

RL has conducted a siting evaluation (Enclosure 1) to locate a storage and disposal facility to support Hanford environmental restoration efforts. Optimal siting of this facility includes the non-utilized portion of the State Leasehold. This siting allows for the shortest support utility extensions, and more importantly, is consistent with the recommendations of the Hanford Future Site Uses Working Group to concentrate all waste disposal activities on the 200 Area plateau.

If the State is willing to voluntarily relinquish the lease on the 900 acres, RL is willing to discuss the availability of other Hanford lands to support the original purposes of the leasehold. The Site map (Enclosure 2) shows lands that may be considered. Limitations may apply to some or all of these lands dependent upon intended use.

Your immediate attention to this matter is appreciated, as we have to make a final siting determination on the disposal facility by June 1, 1993, to support the proposed schedule.



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Questions may be directed to me at (509) 376-7395 or your staff may contact Mr. Patrick Willison at (509) 376-2028, or Mr. Charles Pasternak at (509) 376-6354.

Sincerely,
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John D. Wagoner
Manager

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Enclosures:

1. Site Evaluation Report
2. Site Map

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