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Mr. Moses N. Jaraysi
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Dear Mr. Jaraysi:

RELOCATION OF THE LESS THAN 90-DAY ACCUMULATION AREA LOCATED AT THE 209E BUILDING

The 209E Building, located in the 200 East area of the Hanford Facility, is being vacated based on deactivation planned in Fiscal Year 1998. In support of this effort, all personnel located in this building must relocate by January 1, 1998. A less-than-90-day container accumulation area for dangerous and mixed waste that supports tank farm operations is located next to the 209E Building. The container accumulation area, operated by Waste Management Federal Services of Hanford, Inc. (WMH), should also be relocated.

The U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office, Fluor Daniel Hanford, Inc., and Waste Management Hanford have evaluated many options for relocating this less-than-90-day accumulation area. The most cost effective alternative evaluated is to move this operation to the 2401-W Building in the Central Waste Complex (CWC), located in the 200 West Area. The State of Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) was informed of the plan to move the less-than-90-day accumulation area to the 2401-W Building at the CWC during meetings held on June 17, 1997, and October 6, 1997.

Current plans are to manage the waste generated by tank farms in the 2401-W Building in a manner similar to how it is managed at the less-than-90-day accumulation area at the 209E Building. All waste management activities will comply with Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 173-303 Dangerous Waste Regulations. The necessary procedures, safety documents, and waste analysis plan will be revised to accommodate this activity before initiating this waste management activity in the 2401-W Building.

The CWC is currently permitted under interim status per WAC 173-303 for greater-than-90-day container storage and treatment. The CWC Dangerous Waste Permit Application (Part A and Part B) documentation will be incorporated into the Hanford Facility Resource Conservation and Recovery Act Permit (HF RCRA Permit) during Modification D (certified transmittal to Ecology on June 1, 1998). In preparation for inclusion in Modification D of the HF RCRA Permit,

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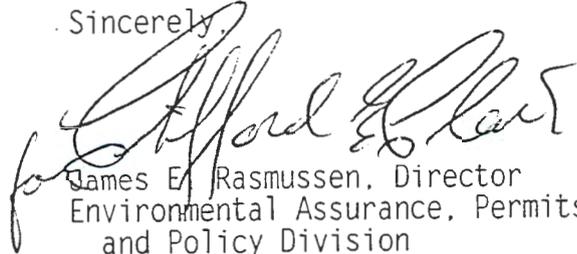
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the CWC Part A and Part B will be updated as necessary to reflect the waste management activities planned for the 2401-W Building.

If you have any questions, please call Anthony C. McKarns, of my staff, on 376-8981 or Kent M. McDonald, Solid Waste Management Environmental Compliance Officer, on 373-4891.

Sincerely,



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