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Dear Messrs. Day and Jansen:

### EXPEDITED RESPONSE ACTION (ERA) PLANNING PROPOSALS

This letter transmits ERA Planning Proposals for the following past practice sites: 1) the White Bluffs Pickling Crib (Enclosure 1), and 2) 100-IU-1 River Rail Wash Pit and Munitions Burial Site (Enclosure 2). Copies were provided informally to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and mailed to the State of Washington Department of Ecology on April 27, 1992. Each of these proposals are briefly described below.

The White Bluffs Pickling Crib is located within the 100-IU-5 Operable Unit (OU). It was used to dispose of nitric and hydrofluoric acid waste generated from the final cleaning of reactor cooling pipes prior to installation in Hanford's eight single-pass reactors. A visual site inspection found two cribs (each 200 ft. x 50 ft.) located side by side. The crib surfaces are stabilized with large cobbles. The Pickling Crib ERA proposes to minimize or eliminate the environmental hazards posed by the site.

The 100-IU-1 OU includes the River Rail Wash Pit, Munitions Burial Site, pre-1940 homesteads, the remains of an anti-aircraft gun position, and a deactivated railroad yard that appears to have a 12,000 gallon underground diesel fuel tank. There are numerous physical, as well as potential environmental hazards present. The 100-IU-1 OU ERA proposes elimination of these hazards.

We request comments regarding the proposals by May 18, 1992. Additionally, we would appreciate prioritization of the proposals among the six candidates (these two plus the four formally transmitted to you on April 3, 1992). Based on your responses we will assess funds available and implement specific projects as mutually agreed.

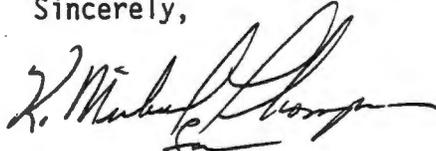
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If you have any questions, please contact me on (509) 376-6798, or  
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