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Dear Gentlemen:

RE: Response to Ecology Requests For 2101-M Documents

I have received your June 22 letter concerning Ecology's request for 2101-M on Pond documents. I appreciate you bringing this matter to my attention, and I hope we will be able to resolve it quickly.

Several months ago, the three Project Managers agreed to a process by which disputes of this type could be elevated to the Project Manager level. In discussions with Paul Day and Steve Wisness, we believe that this is the type of dispute that should be elevated in the manner agreed to. In broad terms, the process requires the parties in dispute to agree to a common problem statement, develop their individual positions, and then raise it to the Project Managers for consideration. If you disagree with what Ms. Wiley is requesting, then I believe this would make you the disputing party under this process.

I recommend that you call Steve to procure the appropriate forms and documents for instituting this process. Note, also, that going through this process may actually resolve the problem before it needs to be elevated to the Project Managers. I have asked Ms. Wiley to approach the issue definition process with the philosophy that this is a new opportunity to provide a solution at her level. Finally, it is important that all three Project Managers see the same material, in the same way, at the same time.

In deference to following the preferred process, I have not prepared a detailed response to the issues raised in your June 22 letter. I'm taking this approach, in part, to keep the issues resolution processes as unencumbered as possible.

Again, I advise you to see Steve for the appropriate direction. But, if I may be of any assistance, please feel free to call me at (206)438-7021.

Sincerely,

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