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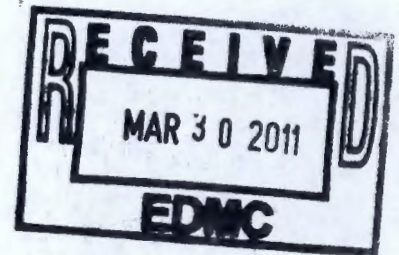
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Dear Messer's Klein, Gallagher, Schepens and Wilde:

RE: Clarification on Administrative Order No.1671

This letter is to clarify specific language of the above referenced Administrative Order. Regarding the second bullet, in Section A (page 12), Ecology does not intend this language to apply to the retrieval of retrievably stored waste (RSW). Ecology understands that this waste requires additional characterization to support compliant storage, treatment and disposal. That characterization will be conducted at either the Waste Receiving and Processing facility (WRAP) or T-Plant, and the waste may be stored at the Central Waste Complex (CWC) prior to this characterization. Therefore, it would not be possible to perform verification activities on a waste that has not been fully characterized.

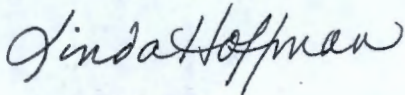
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Ecology has reviewed the contractor's operations with regard to managing the RSW and found it to be protective and appropriate.

With regard to other waste currently stored at any waste management facility that has not been verified through the existing system, when this waste is moved to another waste management facility, it must be verified at the receiving facility in compliance with the receiving facility's waste analysis plan.

Ecology staff will arrange a meeting with your staff to discuss any other aspects of the order on which you would like clarification.

Sincerely,



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T-Plant - T-2-7  
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