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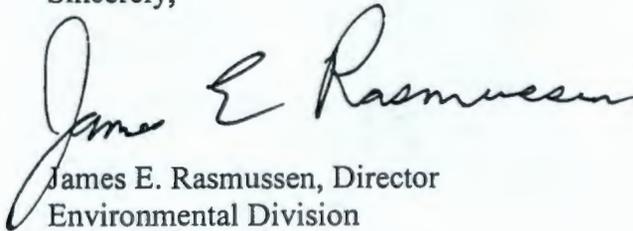
Dear Mr. Wilson:

COMPLETION OF HANFORD FEDERAL FACILITY AGREEMENT AND CONSENT ORDER (HFFACO) MILESTONE M-043-16, "START CONSTRUCTION FOR UPGRADES IN THE FIFTH TANK FARM," DUE JUNE 30, 2003

This letter notifies the State of Washington Department of Ecology that HFFACO Milestone M-043-16 is complete. Consistent with previous M-43 milestones, the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of River Protection (ORP) Critical Decision 3 provided authorization to start construction in the SY Tank Farm on December 4, 2002. Completion of this milestone (M-43-16) completes the M-43 target milestone series. Construction was initiated in SY Tank Farms on March 17, 2003.

If you have any questions, please contact Mary E. Burandt, Environmental Division, (509) 373-9160, or Tom R. Hoertkorn, Tank Farm Programs and Projects Division, (509) 376-7412.

Sincerely,

  
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