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Dear Messrs. Alexander and Sherwood:

COMPLETION OF HANFORD FEDERAL FACILITY AGREEMENT AND CONSENT ORDER (TRI-PARTY AGREEMENT) CALENDAR YEAR MILESTONE M-24-00H

This letter is notification that the Interim Milestone M-24-35 has been successfully completed. The Interim Milestone, "Install one (1) additional RCRA well for the A-37-1 Crib" was formally established between the parties for CY 1996. It was completed on November 14, 1996, when well 699-36-70A was finished and determined to be sample ready.

This action also satisfies the calendar year major milestone M-24-00H: "Install RCRA Groundwater Monitoring Wells at the rate of up to 50 in calendar year 1996." The Tri-Party Agreement Milestone M-24-00 requires the U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office (RL), to "Install RCRA groundwater monitoring wells at the rate of 29 - Calendar Year (CY) 1989, 30 - CY 1990, and up to 50/year thereafter, as specified by agreed interim milestones . . . until the State of Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) agrees that all such groundwater monitoring systems meet the requirements of WAC 173-303-645."

Discussions between RL and Ecology have continued through the year concerning wells that may be needed to complete the RCRA-compliant monitoring systems. RL, Ecology, and Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, are working together to identify the Treatment, Storage, and Disposal (TSD) Facilities that currently have compliant groundwater monitoring systems, and to establish requirements that will bring the remaining TSDs into compliance as required by Tri-Party Agreement Milestone M-24-00.

Messrs. Alexander and Sherwood

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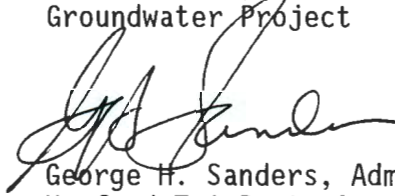
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Please contact Mr. Furman at 373-9630 to discuss this matter further or for additional information.

Sincerely,



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cc: S. Leja, Ecology