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Mr. James D. Bauer, Program Manager
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Dear Mr. Bauer:

- Re: (1) Letter, USDOE to Ecology, "Application for Variance from the State of Washington Dangerous Waste Regulations," dated November 5, 1993 32294
- (2) Letter, USDOE to Ecology, "Plutonium-Uranium Extraction Facility Organic Waste Management Plan," dated November 9, 1993 32341

The U. S. Department of Energy (USDOE) has requested a variance from the Washington State Regulations for approximately 21,000 gallons of an organic mixture consisting of tri-n-butyl phosphate (TBP) and n-paraffin hydrocarbon. The mixture is currently in storage at the Plutonium-Uranium Extraction Facility.

Staff from USDOE, Westinghouse Hanford Company, and the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) met in early January 1994 to discuss the variance. At that time, Ecology committed to responding to USDOE's application for variance by February 1, 1994. I regret to inform you that Ecology will not be responding today, but a response will be provided by March 31, 1994.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (509) 736-3024. Questions regarding the application for variance may be directed to Mr. Joe Stohr, Section Manager, Technical Assistance and Regulatory Coordination, in the Lacey office at (206) 407-7107.

Sincerely,

Laura Russell, RCRA Compliance Inspector
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