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Ms. Laura J. Cusack
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Dear Ms. Cusack:

REQUEST FOR A 60-DAY EXTENSION, UNDER WASHINGTON ADMINISTRATIVE CODE (WAC) 173-303-840(6)(b), TO THE HANFORD FACILITY RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND RECOVERY ACT (RCRA) PERMIT PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR MODIFICATION D THAT BEGAN AUGUST 10, 1998, AND ENDS SEPTEMBER 24, 1998

This letter is requesting a 60-day extension, under WAC 173-303-840(6)(b), to the 45-day public comment period for Modification D that began August 10, 1998 and ends September 24, 1998.

The U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office (RL) needs the 60-day extension, under WAC 173-303-840(6)(b), (November 23, 1998) to provide comments on the proposed modifications. The additional time is required due to the number and magnitude of the proposed modifications (119 Amendments to the permit application for the Central Waste Complex and 204 Amendments to the permit application for the Waste Receiving and Processing Plant). Approximately one third of these amendments to the permit applications were included in the proposed modification without prior review by the permittees.

On August 3, 1998, the State of Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) transmitted proposed modifications to the Hanford Facility Dangerous Waste Portion of the RCRA Permit for the Treatment, Storage, and Disposal (TSD) of Dangerous Waste (HF RCRA Permit). The proposed modifications add two Fluor Daniel Hanford, Inc. (FDH) managed operating units (Waste Receiving and Processing Plant and Central Waste Complex), five Bechtel Hanford, Inc. units undergoing closure (100 D Ponds, 1325-N Liquid Waste Disposal Facility, 1301-N Liquid Waste Disposal Facility, 1324-N Percolation Pond, and 1324-NA Surface Impoundment). The proposed modification also incorporates emergency preparedness documentation as Class 3 modifications to existing TSD units (616 Nonradioactive Waste Storage Facility, 305-B Storage Facility, Liquid Effluent Retention Facility and 200 Area Effluent Treatment Facility, 242-A Evaporator, and 325 Hazardous Waste Treatment Units).

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Should you have any questions regarding this information, please contact Tony C. McKarns, RL, on (509) 376-8981; or Susan M. Price, FDH, on (509) 376-1653.



Sincerely,

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James E. Rasmussen, Director
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and Policy Division
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A handwritten signature in black ink, which reads "William D. Adair".

William D. Adair, Director
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