



Tri-Party Agreement

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REQUEST TO EXTEND THE DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS FOR HANFORD FEDERAL FACILITY AGREEMENT AND CONSENT ORDER (TRI-PARTY AGREEMENT) FOR TRI-PARTY AGREEMENT CHANGE REQUEST M-16-01-03, "REVISE COMPLETION DATE FOR TRI-PARTY AGREEMENT INTERIM MILESTONE M-16-03E, COMPLETE REMEDIATION OF THE WASTE SITES IN THE 300-FF-1 OPERABLE UNIT (EXCLUDING THE 618-4 BURIAL GROUND), TO INCLUDE EXCAVATION, VERIFICATION, AND BACKFILLING"

The U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office (RL), submitted Tri-Party Agreement Change Request M-16-01-03 to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on June 11, 2001, requesting a two-year extension to the Tri-Party Agreement completion date. EPA rejected the Change Request on June 19, 2001. RL notified EPA that they were initiating the dispute resolution process in accordance with the provisions established in Tri-Party Agreement, Article XVI, "Resolution of Dispute," on June 27, 2001.

RL and EPA project managers are confident that they can work collaboratively to resolve the dispute at their level and request that the dispute resolution period be concluded no later than August 31, 2001.

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