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Natural Resource Trustees

Dear Trustee:

The U.S. Department of Energy (USDOE) has scheduled a Hanford Site natural resource trustee training session and a meeting for August 4-6, 1993. Ecology's proposal that the non-federal trustees meet during this assembly was favored by all respondents to our May 24, 1993 letter.

The state and tribal trustees share many interests distinct from federal trustees. Ecology invites non-federal trustees to discuss their expectations and interests in Hanford natural resource injury issues. We suggest a meeting of state and tribal trustees the evening of the 4th, from 6:30 to 8:30, to discuss issues for the next day. We may then decide to also meet the evening of the 5th, or the afternoon of the 6th.

Some of the issues that we may address are:

- ▶ Should USDOE act as lead trustee for the Hanford Site?
- ▶ Should a disinterested facilitator for coordinating the trustees be used?
- ▶ Should USDOE act as coordinator for the facilitator?
- ▶ What resources are available to support trustee involvement?
- ▶ How can public involvement be properly coordinated?
- ▶ Should remedial investigations and NRDA be integrated?
- ▶ What are the baseline conditions against which injuries are assessed?
- ▶ What are the defenses to liability?
- ▶ How are cultural values assessed?

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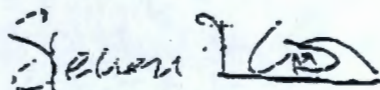
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- ▶ In what resources are the various trustees interested?
- ▶ Should the trustees prepare preliminary natural resource surveys?

Please call with additional ideas that you would like to discuss, or for further information. My phone number is (206) 456-6078.

Sincerely,



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