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Dear Messrs. French, Veneziano, and Ms. Delozier:

Re: Deferral of Continued 244-S Double Contained Receiver Tank (DCRT) Integrity Assessment to Completion of Double Shell Tank (DST) Integrity Assessment Report

On June 24, 1999, the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) issued a letter to the U.S. Department of Energy (USDOE), Lockheed Martin Hanford Corporation (LMHC), and Fluor Daniel Hanford, Incorporated (FDH) regarding closeout of findings from Ecology's July 8, 1999, inspection of the SY tank farm. Ecology's June 24, 1999, letter closed out three (3) of the five (5) violations from the SY tank farm inspection and referenced actions to close-out the remaining two (2) violations (adequate integrity assessment of the 244-S DCRT and installation of leak detection equipment and procedures in the DSTs). 50875

The USDOE issued a reply to Ecology's June 24th letter on August 19, 1999, suggesting continued tank integrity assessment of the 244-S DCRT be reviewed in coordination with submittal by the USDOE and its contractors of the DST Integrity Assessment Report due September 1999, per Tri-Party Agreement (TPA) Milestone M-32. Ecology concurs and will review the adequacy of the 244-S DCRT integrity assessment within the context of the September 1999 DST integrity assessment report.



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If you have any questions regarding this letter, please feel free contact me at (509) 736-3031.

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