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Dear Ms. Hedges:

MODIFICATION OF THE CO-PERMITTEE FOR THE RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, AND  
DEMONSTRATION (RD&D) PERMIT FOR THE DEMONSTRATION BULK  
VITRIFICATION SYSTEM (DBVS)

- References:
1. ORP letter from S. J. Olinger to J. A. Hedges, Ecology, "Submittal of Part A Permit Application Forms," 08-ESQ-223, dated September 25, 2008.
  2. Ecology letter from M. Wilson to R. J. Schepens, ORP; K. A. Klein, RL; and E. S. Aromi, CH2M HILL, "Final Dangerous and/or Mixed Waste Research, Development, and Demonstration Permit for the Demonstration Bulk Vitrification Facility," dated December 13, 2004.
  3. Ecology letter from J. A. Hedges to S. J. Olinger, ORP, and J. C. Fulton, CH2M HILL, "Letter 07-TPD-050 dated September 21, 2007, from S. J. Olinger, USDOE-ORP, to J. A. Hedges, ECY, Modification of the Expiration Date for the Research, Development, and Demonstration (RD&D) Permit, WA 7890008967, for the Demonstration Bulk Vitrification System (DBVS)," dated November 19, 2007.

This letter provides clarification to the Reference 1 letter dated September 25, 2008. The U.S. Department of Energy, Office of River Protection (ORP) requests a modification to the subject Permit to identify Washington River Protection Solutions, LLC as the Co-Permittee, and to delete CH2M HILL Hanford Group, Inc. The RD&D Permit (References 2 and 3) is for the DBVS Facility. ORP provided notice to the Washington State Department of Ecology of a change in the Tank Operations Contractor at the quarterly Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order meeting held July 17, 2008, and that this change would be effective October 1, 2008.

Washington Administrative Code 173-303-830(2)(b) provides that a change in the ownership or operational control of a facility may be made as a Class 1 modification.

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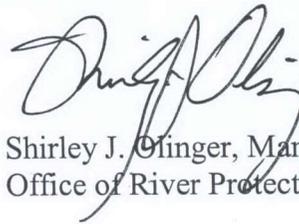
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The RD&D Permit was issued on December 13, 2004, and has an expiration date of December 13, 2013. The RD&D Permit is a stand alone Permit, and not a part of the Hanford Sitewide Permit. No activity authorized by the RD&D permit, with dangerous waste or simulant, has been initiated at the DBVS Facility. A copy of the affected RD&D Permit change page, as previously provided in Reference 1, is attached reflecting the relevant change. We have also corrected the attachment to reflect that this will be Revision 2 to the RD&D Permit, and that the effective date is October 1, 2008.

If you have any questions, please contact me, or your staff may contact Lori A. Huffman, Director, Environmental Compliance Division, (509) 376-0104.

Sincerely,



Shirley J. Olinger, Manager  
Office of River Protection

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Attachment

cc w/attach:

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Administrative Record

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WRPS Correspondence

Attachment  
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Permit for Dangerous and or Mixed Waste Research,  
Development, and Demonstration

Date Issued: December 13, 2004  
Expiration Date: December 13, 2013

Permit No.: WA 7890008967

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Revision 2: October 1, 2008

**PERMIT FOR  
DANGEROUS AND OR MIXED WASTE RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, AND  
DEMONSTRATION**

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This Permit is issued in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Hazardous Waste Management Act, Chapter 70.105 Revised Code of Washington (RCW), and the regulations promulgated hereunder in Chapter 173-303 Washington Administrative Code (WAC).

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ISSUED TO: United States Department of Energy  
Office of River Protection  
Owner/Operator  
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Co-Permittee: Washington River Protection Solutions, LLC  
Co-Operator  
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This Permit is effective as of January 12, 2005, and shall remain in effect until December 13, 2013, unless modified or revoked and reissued under WAC 173-303-830(3), or terminated under WAC 173-303-809(3) or WAC 173-303-830(5). The new Permit expiration date of December 13, 2013 supersedes the expiration date as may be specified in the Permit. Washington River Protection Solutions (WRPS) will supersede CH2M HILL Hanford Group, Inc. (CH2M HILL) as the co-Permittee in this Permit. This Permit shall not exceed four hundred (400) operating days of the Dangerous and or Waste Research, Development, and Demonstration Activity authorized by this permit.

ISSUED BY: WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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Jane A. Hedges, Program Manager  
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Washington State Department of Ecology  
Date Signed \_\_\_\_\_