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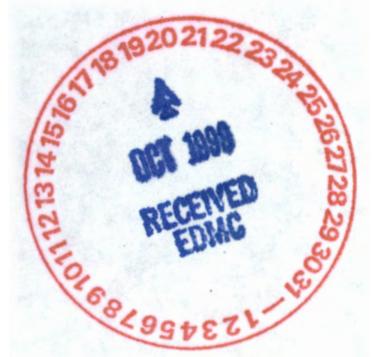
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Dear Messrs. French and Sanders:

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) has reviewed the *Fiscal Year 2000 Tank Characterization Technical Sampling Basis and Waste Information Requirements Document*, (HNF-4048, Rev. 0) (TSB-WIRD), that was submitted to fulfill the Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order (Tri-Party Agreement or TPA) Milestone M-44-14C. Ecology accepts this document as fulfilling the requirements of Milestone M-44-14C.

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (509) 736-3047.

Sincerely,

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