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Dear Dr. Buelow:

HANFORD FEDERAL FACILITY AGREEMENT AND CONSENT ORDER (TRI-PARTY AGREEMENT) MILESTONE M-083-00A, PLUTONIUM FINISHING PLANT (PFP) FACILITY TRANSITION AND SELECTED DISPOSITION ACTIVITIES

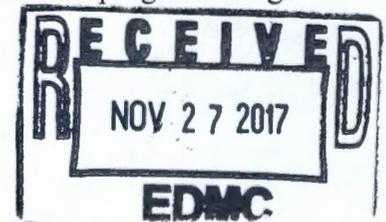
This is in response to your letter dated October 6, 2017, regarding the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Richland Operations Office (RL) September 1, 2017, notification (17-AMRP-0250) to the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) that the Tri-Party Agreement Milestone M-083-00A will not be met to have the PFP demolished to slab-on-grade by September 30, 2017.

Workers continue to make very good progress in safely demolishing PFP, considered by many to be the most dangerous building within the DOE complex, and which is now in the final stage of a 20-year effort to shut down, de-inventory, decontaminate, deactivate, and demolish the facility. We anticipate PFP will be slab-on-grade by the end of December 2017, or the beginning of next calendar year.

Additionally, sufficient Fiscal Year 2017 funds have been made available to the PFP Closure Project to complete the demolition with no impact to other RL workscope or Tri-Party Agreement commitments. RL is working closely with Ecology as the lead regulatory agency, per the Tri-Party Agreement, on the day-to-day schedule for PFP demolition activities.

We understand the importance of schedules and sufficient funding, and we remain committed to meeting our commitments in the Tri-Party Agreement. We will continue to partner with Ecology and EPA to safely complete this and other important projects at Hanford.

We would be glad to take you out to PFP so you can see in person the significant progress being made.



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If you have any questions, please contact me, or your staff may contact Joe Franco, Assistant Manager for the River and Plateau, on (509) 373-9971.

Sincerely,



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