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Mr. Michael A. Wilson, Manager Nuclear Waste Program State of Washington Department of Ecology P.O. Box 47600 Olympia, Washington 98504

Dear Mr. Wilson:

COMPLETION OF HANFORD FEDERAL FACILITY AGREEMENT AND CONSENT ORDER (TRI-PARTY AGREEMENT) M-45-03A, "INITIATE TANK C-106 SLUICING"

This letter is to provide notice for completion of Tri-Party Agreement Milestone M-45-03A, "Initiate Tank C-106 Sluicing." The waste retrieval project was approved for operation on September 28, 1998, after conducting an independent Operational Readiness Review. After the U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office approval, ventilation system tie-ins and hot-operational testing were required to be performed prior to the start of sluicing. On November 18, 1998, retrieval of Tank C-106 sludge, by sluicing, was initiated.

If you have any questions, please contact me on (509) 376-6888 or Dana Bryson, Director, Waste Storage Division for Tank Waste Remediation System on (509) 372-0947.

Sincerely

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