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Dear Mr. Hebdon:

Re: Letter (03-RCA-0102) to Michael A. Wilson, Washington State Department of Ecology, dated 12/26/2002, from Joel Hebdon, United States Department of Energy, "Completion of Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order (Tri-Party Agreement) Milestone M-83-21."

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) acknowledges that the United States Department of Energy has successfully completed the requirements of Tri-Party Agreement (TPA) Milestone M-83-21, "Submit to the Washington State Department of Ecology a PFP residual chemical hazardous assessment as a primary document," by December 31, 2002. The submitted document, "Plutonium Finishing Plant Residual Chemical Hazards Assessment Report (HNF-13971, Revision 0)" satisfies this milestone.

My staff reviewed the residual chemical hazardous assessment and resolved all the questions in a meeting with your staff on February 3, 2003. Ecology is satisfied with the assessment methodology and the completion of this TPA Milestone.

If you have questions, please call Rick Bond at (509) 736-3007.

Sincerely,

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