



U.S. Department of Energy Hanford Site

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Mr. Jeffrey J. Lyon, Tank Systems Operations
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Dear Mr. Lyon:

RESPONSE TO 20-NWP-159 FROM THE WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

- References:
1. Ecology letter from J. J. Lyon to B. A. Harkins, ORP, "Department of Ecology's Comments on the United States Department of Energy – Office of River Protection's (USDOE-ORP) Maintenance and Performance Monitoring Plan for the Interim Barriers Program (RPP-RPT-61684, Rev. 1)," 20-NWP-159, dated September 18, 2020.
 2. ORP letter from B. T. Vance to A. K. Smith, Ecology, "U.S. Department of Energy, Office of River Protection Response to Letter 19-NWP-194, "Department of Ecology's (Ecology) Review and Assessment of the Maintenance and Performance Monitoring Plan, RPP-RPT-61684," 19-TPD-0029, dated December 11, 2019.

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) acknowledges receipt of 20-NWP-159 (Reference 1) specific to the Tri-Party Agreement (TPA) Milestone M-045-92AC and its associated plan Maintenance and Performance Monitoring Plan for the Interim Barriers Program, RPP-RPT-61684, Rev. 1. TPA Milestone, M-045-92AC is complete, as stated in Reference 2. In accordance with the Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order, Section 9.2, "Document Review and Comment Process," and Figure 9-1, DOE hereby requests a 60-days extension beyond October 18, 2020, to provide responses to Washington State Department of Ecology's comments to a TPA primary document. This letter is communicating that extension by the TPA process and role of the TPA Project Manager in Section 4.2.

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If you have any questions, please contact me, or your staff may contact Becky Blackwell, Closure Project Manager, Tank Farms Programs Division, Office of River Protection, on (509) 376-0058.

Sincerely,

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