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COMPLETION OF M-016-51-T01, "COMPLETE EXCAVATION OF 1 of 5 100-H BURIAL GROUNDS, BY DECEMBER 31, 2009"

The U.S. Department of Energy Richland Operations Office (RL) hereby notifies the State of Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency that the Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order (HFFACO) Milestone M-016-51-T01, "Complete Excavation of 1 of 5 100-H Burial Grounds by December 31, 2009," was completed on September 30, 2009. This milestone was met by the completion of excavation at the 118-H-5 Burial Ground and through review of the closure sample results (draft Closure Verification Package) that show the Remedial Action Goals were met. Completion of excavation is defined in the milestone as: Contamination has been excavated from the waste site as determined by the relevant Interim Action Record of Decision, radiological surveys are completed indicating cleanup levels have been attained, waste anomalies are identified and stabilized for treatment, and the waste site is stabilized pending backfill at a later date.

RL considers remaining work activities required for closure of 118-H-5, including approval of the closeout documentation, backfill, and revegetation are outside the scope of M-016-51-T01. If you have questions, please contact me or your staff may contact Joanne Chance, of my staff, on (509) 376-0811.

Sincerely,

Mark S. French, Federal Project Director  
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