

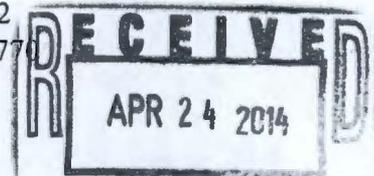


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RE: ***Washington v. Chu***  
**U.S.D.C. Eastern No. 08-5085-FVS**  
**Washington's Notice Invoking Dispute Resolution Based on Department of**  
**Energy's Refusal to Accept Washington's March 31, 2014, Proposal to Amend**  
**Consent Decree**

Dear Mr. Kaplan and Mr. Silverman:

On March 31, 2014, pursuant to Section VII of the Consent Decree in *Washington v. Chu*, No. 08-5085-FVS (Consent Decree), we provided to the Department of Energy the State of Washington's Proposal to Amend Hanford Consent Decree and Add Provisions to the Tri-Party Agreement. On April 18, 2014, Energy communicated to us that Washington's March 31st proposal was not acceptable to Energy.

This letter constitutes Washington's notice that Washington is triggering dispute resolution under Section VII.A.3 (dispute resolution when one party does not agree to other party's proposed amendment) and Section IX. This letter constitutes Washington's written demand for immediate commencement of good faith negotiations to endeavor to settle the dispute.

Representatives of the State of Washington are available to meet with members of Energy's team at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

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