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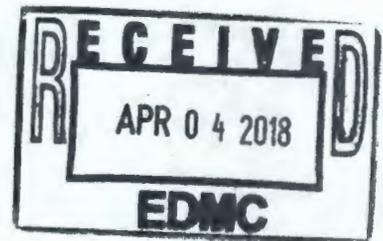
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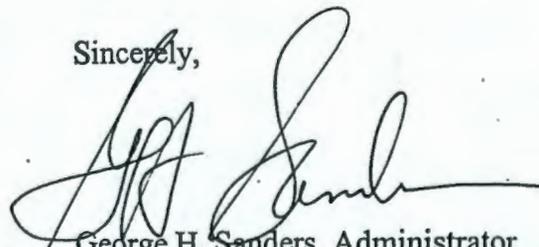
COMPLETION OF HANFORD FEDERAL FACILITY AND CONSENT ORDER
MILESTONE M-82-09, "COMPLETE DECOUPLING OF THE WASTE ENCAPSULATION
AND STORAGE FACILITY (WESF) FROM B PLANT"

This letter provides notification of completion of Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order Milestone M-82-09, "Complete Decoupling of WESF from B Plant," due December 31, 1998.

Decoupling of WESF from B Plant was completed on September 30, 1998, three months ahead of the milestone date. WESF formerly received support from B Plant, which supplied deionized water, received and disposed of low-level liquid waste, received solid waste, and received and monitored effluent streams. WESF is now decoupled from B Plant since all of these essential systems/services have been replaced by a source other than B Plant. WESF is now a stand-alone operation in relation to B Plant.

If you have any questions, please call David T. Evans, B Plant/WESF Program Manager, on (509) 373-9278.

Sincerely,


George H. Sanders, Administrator
Hanford Tri-Party Agreement

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Please see distribution sheet attached