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Dear Mr. Wilson:

SUBMITTAL FOR COMPLETION OF M-20-57 HANFORD FEDERAL FACILITY
AGREEMENT AND CONSENT ORDER (HFFACO) MILESTONE

This submittal of the Hanford Facility Dangerous Waste Part B Permit Application (Attachment 1) for the Integrated Disposal Facility (IDF) completes any and all requirements of the HFFACO Milestone M-20-57.

The IDF Part B Permit Application is based on 80 percent design of the critical systems as required by HFFACO Change Notice M-20-01-01. For permitting purposes, the critical systems are the liner, leachate collection system and the leak detection system as defined in HFFACO Milestone M-90-09-T01.

Attachment 1 has undergone a rigorous certification review and has been certified by CH2M HILL Hanford Group, Inc., as co-operator, and the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Office, Office of River Protection, and DOE, Richland Operations Office as owner/operators.

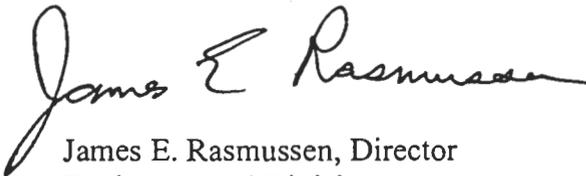
This permit application is submitted to meet the requirements of HFFACO Milestone M-20-57 in advance of completion of the Hanford Site Solid (Radioactive and Hazardous) waste Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), DOE/EIS-0286, currently under preparation. A subsequent Record of Decision for DOE/EIS-0286 may ultimately select an alternative location for the IDF.

DOE is looking forward to working with you and your staff to achieve a final status permit for the IDF.

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Pursuant to Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 42.17.310(1)(ww) and RCW 70.74.285, DOE has designated the following portions of the Part B permit application as national security sensitive (pages marked as "OFFICIAL USE ONLY"): Chapter 1, Pages 18 and 19; Chapter 2, Pages F2-1 and F2-3; Chapter 5, Pages F5-1, F5-2, F5-4, F5-7, and F 5-10; Chapter 6, Page 6-1; Appendix 2A; Appendix 4A, Pages 7, 9, 11, 27, 29, 33, 39, and 49; Appendix 4A, Drawing H-2-830824, H-2-830826, H-2-830827, H-2-830828, H-2-830829, H-2-830830, H-2-830831, H-2-830836, and H-2-830845; and Appendix 7A in its entirety. Based on this national security sensitive designation, DOE requests that those portions of the permit application identified above as "OFFICIAL USE ONLY" be withheld from public inspection and copying.

If you have any questions, please contact Richard (Rick) McNulty, Environmental Division, (509) 373-9304, or Phil E. Lamont, Tank Farms Programs and Projects Division, (509) 376-6117.



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