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Dear Ms. Hedges:

NOTIFICATION THAT HANFORD FEDERAL FACILITY AGREEMENT AND CONSENT ORDER (HFFACO) INTERIM MILESTONE M-45-00D, DUE JANUARY 31, 2008, WILL BE MISSED

The purpose of this letter is to notify the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) that interim Milestone M-45-00D, Initiate Negotiation of the Single-Shell Tank (SST) Waste Retrieval and Closure Activities for the Period September 2008 to September 2013, will not be met. Ecology has previously been advised this milestone would be missed in quarterly and monthly Tri-Party Agreement Milestone Review meetings.

The U. S. Department of Energy, Office of River Protection, (ORP) has not included an HFFACO change request. Please note that although this milestone will be missed, negotiations on ORP treatment, retrieval, and closure milestones are on-going. SST retrieval and closure activities and schedules that may potentially replace M-45-00D and other M-45 retrieval and closure milestones have been discussed in the negotiations.

If you have any questions, please contact me, or your staff may contact Mr. Delmar Noyes, Acting Tank Farms Assistant Manager, (509) 376-5166.

Sincerely,

Shirley J. Olinger, Manager
Office of River Protection

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