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Dear Mr. Wilson:

SUBMITTAL FOR COMPLETION OF M-20-56 HANFORD FEDERAL FACILITY  
AGREEMENT AND CONSENT ORDER (HFFACO) MILESTONE

- References:
1. ORP letter from J. E. Rasmussen to M. A. Wilson, "Washington State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Documentation for Interim Storage of Vitrified Hanford Site Immobilized High-Level Waste (IHLW) in the 200 East Area Canister Storage Building (CSB)," 98-EAP-472, dated September 1, 1998. ✓
  2. "Supplement Analysis for the Tank Waste Remediation System," DOE/EIS-0189-SA2, dated May 1998. ✓
  3. "Tank Waste Remediation System, Hanford Site, Richland, Washington, Final Environmental Impact Statement," DOE/EIS-189, dated August 1996. 45013

This submittal of the Hanford Facility Dangerous Waste Part B Permit Application (attached) for the Immobilized High-Level Waste (IHLW) Interim Storage Unit completes any and all requirements of the HFFACO Milestone M-20-56.

The 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 system is the canister storage tube system as defined in HFFACO Milestone M-90-11.

This application 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.

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A State Environmental Policy Act checklist was not prepared for the IHLW Interim Storage Unit based on the Tank Waste Remediation System (TWRS), Hanford Site, Richland, Washington, Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), Reference 3, and the supplement analysis concerning the TWRS EIS, Reference 2, as described in Reference 1.

Pursuant to the 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 1.0, Pages 7, 8, and 9; Chapter 2.0, Page F2-2; Appendix 2A; Appendix 3A, Pages F-1 and F-2; and Appendix 7A. 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.

DOE is looking forward to working with you and your staff to achieve a final status permit for the IHLW Interim Storage Unit.

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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Attachment

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Administrative Record (w/attach)

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