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United States Department of Energy
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Dear Mr. Hebdon:

Re: Modification to the High Bay Testing Facility (336 Building, 300 Area Hanford Site) Exempt from New Source Review

The Washington State Department of Ecology has reviewed the exemption request and, based upon the information presented, finds that the facility is exempt from New Source Review (NSR) requirements as per Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 173-400-110, threshold values. Although toxic air emissions do not have a threshold in WAC 173-400 regulation, Ecology finds the toxic emissions estimate out to only about one-tenth of the Small Quantity Emission Rates at maximum. An air toxics Notice of Construction is thereby not required based upon WAC 173-460.

General conditions of WAC 173-400 and WAC 173-401 still apply to this facility. If you have any questions please call me at (509) 736-3095.

Sincerely,

Steve Lijek
Environmental Engineer
Nuclear Waste Program

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