

START



67 11 02
0032131

STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

Mail Stop PV-11 • Olympia, Washington 98504-8711 • (206) 454-6000

April 6, 1990

Mr. Steven J. Wisness
Hanford Project Manger
Department of Energy
P.O. Box 550
Richland, Washington, 99352

Re: Liquid Effluent Retention Facility Center
Notice Of Approval To Initiate Construction

Dear Mr. Wisness:

This letter transmits Ecology's decision to approve initiation of construction of the Liquid Effluent Retention Facility (LERF). This notice to proceed is based upon the final resolution of Part A, Interim Status, Ground Water Monitoring and SEPA.

1) Part A Status

Ecology has reviewed the Part A application for the LERF. We have determined that the Part A, as submitted, meets the requirements set forth in WAC 173-303-060 and 173-303-805.

2) Interim Status

Ecology has completed a review of documents submitted by the U.S. Dept. of Energy (USDOE) and has determined that the LERF meets the conditions for expansion under interim status, as provided by WAC 173-303-805 (7). Therefore, Ecology accepts the LERF as a interim status unit at the Hanford Facility.

3) G.W. Monitoring

Ground Water Monitoring activities must begin at the time of initiation of construction, these activities are to include drilling and developing of wells up and down gradient of the proposed LERF facility. Sampling of the G.W. Monitoring wells unit begins immediately upon development of the well. The wells required to be established for the LERF will be in addition to the RCRA wells identified in M-24-00 in calendar year 1990.



9413148-0230

Mr. Steven Wisness
April 6, 1990
Page 2

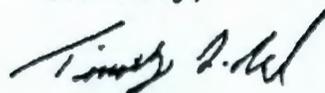
4) SEPA

Ecology has made a SEPA Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS) for the LERF proposed. The DNS public comment period ended on April 3, 1990. Ecology did not receive any comments which justified holding a public hearing or which led us to re-evaluate our finding of nonsignificance. Therefore, Ecology has determined that SEPA has been satisfied.

Finally, the LERF is intended to resolve the 242-A Evaporator discharge. Decisions regarding the LERF should not be construed to be applicable elsewhere on the Hanford facility. Specifically, the Land Disposal Restricted Waste Strategy identified for the LERF will not be allowed elsewhere on the site. Any similar issue will be resolved through the formal RCRA permitting process.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,



Timothy L. Nord
Hanford Project Manager

TM:ms

cc: Paul Day, EPA-RL
AR