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Mr. Bill Adair
Fluor Daniel Hanford, Inc.
2420 Stevens Center
Richland, WA 99352



Dear Messrs. Hansen and Adair:

Re: 222-S Laboratory Complex Hanford Facility Dangerous Waste Part A Letter, Dated October 2, 1997, and Subsequent Initiation of Dispute Resolution (WA7890008967) (TSD: TS-2-1)

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Representatives of the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology), the U.S. Department of Energy (USDOE), and Fluor Daniel Hanford (FDH) met on October 28, 1997, regarding the above referenced October 2, 1997, Ecology letter and subsequent USDOE initiated dispute resolution. This letter is intended to document the agreements made at that meeting. It was agreed upon that the 222-S Laboratory Complex Part A would be revised to exclude language regarding the 219-S tank system's acceptance of off-unit and/or off-site waste and resubmitted as revision six. Ecology has reviewed the draft part A, which was provided at the meeting, and a subsequent revision provided October 30, 1997, and will approve the language as proposed when the part A is resubmitted.

It was also agreed that the resolution of the 219-S tank system's acceptance of off-unit and/or off-site waste would be pursued through the on-going 222-S Laboratory Complex's compliance action. In particular, an Ecology approved waste analysis plan (WAP) will specify waste verification requirements associated with the acceptance of off-unit and/or off-site waste by the 219-S tank system. An approved WAP will be in place before the acceptance of off-unit and/or off-site waste. Due to the need for rapid resolution of this issue, we agreed to a tentative schedule for completion of an Ecology approved WAP by March 1, 1998 (within 90 days, beginning December 1, 1997). Management from both agencies agreed to support the accelerated schedule and to elevate issues for resolution as needed to expedite the process.

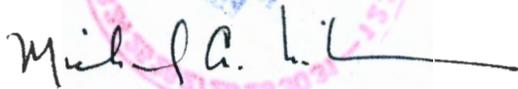
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Lastly, during the meeting it was agreed that upon receipt of Ecology's letter describing the agreements reached during the October 28, 1997, meeting, USDOE would issue a letter to withdraw the initiation of dispute resolution.

Ecology appreciates the opportunity to meet and discuss opportunities to resolve the long-standing issues associated with waste verification at the Hanford Site. Ecology remains dedicated to resolving this issue in a timely manner. If you have any questions, please contact Alisa Huckaby, S Plant Project Manager, at (509) 736-3034 or Melodie Selby, Project Management Coordinator, at (509) 736-3021.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Wilson", is written over a circular pink stamp. The stamp contains the text "U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY" and "NUCLEAR WASTE PROGRAM" around the perimeter, with "OFFICE OF THE PROGRAM MANAGER" in the center.

Mike Wilson, Program Manager
Nuclear Waste Program

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Administrative Record: 222-S Laboratory Complex