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Re: Extension of the Public Comment Period for the Modification of the Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant – Specific Conditions (Unit 10) in the Dangerous Waste Portion of the Hanford Facility Resource Conservation and Recovery Act Permit

Reference: Letter, dated November 6, 2006, from R. J. Schepens, USDOE-ORP, and W. S. Elkins, BNI, to J.A. Hedges, Ecology, “Extension Request for Public Comment Period to December 18, 2006.”

Dear Mr. Schepens and Mr. Elkins:

Ecology has considered your request to extend the public comment period for the draft permit modification issued October 9, 2006. We agree that this Permit modification warrants careful evaluation. To give the public ample opportunity to review the draft modification and submit comments, Ecology will extend the public comment period to January 5, 2007.

If there are any questions, contact me at 509-372-7882.

Sincerely,

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