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Dear Mr. Klein and Mr. Schepens:

Re: Ecology's Review and Response to the U.S. Department of Energy's (USDOE) Calendar Year (CY) 2004 Land Disposal Restrictions (LDR) Report, submitted in accordance with Milestone M-26-01O

This correspondence is in response to your letter 05-AMCP-0318 and attached comment responses, dated July 12, 2005, to Mr. Michael Wilson, Ecology, regarding the submittal of USDOE's CY 2004 LDR Report. 65723

In accordance with the Hanford Facility Agreement and Consent Order (Tri-Party Agreement), Milestone M-26-01O, the LDR report was submitted as a primary document, which requires the lead agency to respond within 45 days. Ecology provided comments to USDOE on June 13, 2004. We received your responses to our comments on July 12, 2005. These responses adequately document the comment resolution agreed to during recent Tri-Party Agreement LDR Project Manager Meetings.

Ecology approves the USDOE's CY 2004 LDR Report as noted on the enclosed approval page. We look forward to continued cooperation during the ongoing LDR Project Manager Meetings.

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If you would like to discuss Ecology's comments on the CY 2004 LDR Report, please contact me at (509) 372-7929.

Sincerely,



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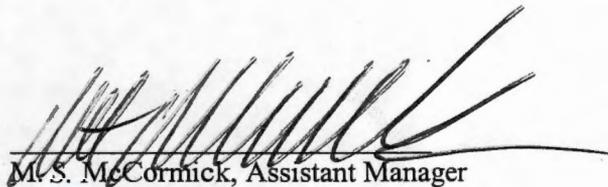
**PRIMARY DOCUMENT STATEMENT**

**CALENDAR YEAR 2004 HANFORD SITE MIXED WASTE LAND  
DISPOSAL RESTRICTIONS REPORT**

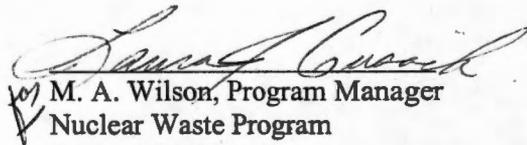
Approval of the U.S. Department of Energy's annual land disposal restriction report as a *Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order* primary document shall be by written approval of U.S. Department of Energy and Washington State Department of Ecology Interagency Management Integration Team representatives.

This document has been prepared, submitted, revised, and approved as a primary document in response to the requirements of the *Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order* milestone series M-26-01 and related *Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976* land disposal restrictions and *Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order* requirements. As such, this document serves as a binding and enforceable document under the *Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order*.

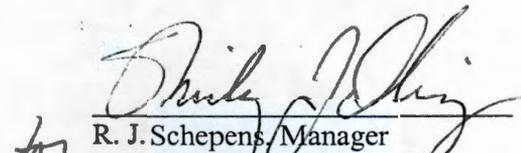
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