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Subject: Request to Make a Presentation to the Site Management Board on the CRCIA

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Dear Mr. Wagoner:

Over the last year and a half, the CRCIA Team has spent a great deal of time and effort defining requirements in order to do a comprehensive assessment of the Columbia River. Part II of the CRCIA document which was written by the Team will be released shortly, along with the Screening Assessment, for public comment. The Hanford Advisory Board (HAB) requests an opportunity for the CRCIA Team to give a briefing to the Site Management Board (SMB) as soon as possible to provide input into the budget process.

The Hanford Advisory Board believes it is essential that DOE senior staff have a valid understanding of the CRCIA Requirements document as we enter this critical period of budgeting and prioritization of workscope. The proposed assessment is to be considered for funding for the first time this budget cycle. The CRCIA Team briefed some DOE managers and contractors on January 29th. A lot of emphasis has been placed on making the CRCIA analysis reasonable and valuable to all the programs on the site and to the decisions we all face in the future.

It is important to the HAB that your degree of support, and that of the SMB, be based upon the best information. We encourage you to take this opportunity to hear from the stakeholders represented by the CRCIA Team. The CRCIA Management Team will make this presentation and it should take no longer than one hour, including questions and answers.

We appreciate your participation during this briefing and feel confident that you will see the value of this very important briefing.

Very truly yours,

Merilyn B. Reeves, Chair
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