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Mr. George H. Sanders
U.S. Department of Energy
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Dear Mr. Sanders:

Re: Letter, Robert J. Julian to George H. Sanders, dated April 15, 1998: *Completion of Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order (Tri-Party Agreement) December 1997 Milestone M-90-01*

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In the above referenced letter, the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) agreed to delay finalizing the Project Management Plan documents (HNF-1517 and HNF-1751) for the management of Immobilized Low Activity Waste until the U.S. Department of Energy is able to incorporate the impacts, if any, of decisions made on the privatized treatment of tank waste. The privatization proposal was received July 21, 1998, and is under review by Ecology. It is expected that the relevant milestones in the M-90 series will be dealt with in the upcoming negotiations.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (509) 736-5702.

Sincerely,

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