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Dear Mr. Wilson:

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION ON THE SUBMITTAL OF THE UPDATED TANKS/LINES/PITS/BOXES/SEPTIC TANK AND DRAIN FIELD WASTE GROUP OPERABLE UNITS (OU) REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION/FEASIBILITY STUDY (RI/FS) WORK PLAN AND RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND RECOVERY ACT (RCRA) TREATMENT, STORAGE AND DISPOSAL (TSD) UNIT SAMPLING PLAN INCLUDES: 200-IS-1 AND 200-ST-1 OUs, DOE/RL-2002-14

Reference is made to State of Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) letter to Bryan L. Foley, RL, from John B. Price, "Review of DOE/RL-2002-24, Draft A, Tanks/Lines/Pits/Boxes/Septic Tank and Drain Field Waste Group Operable Units RI/FS Work Plan and RCRA TSD Unit Sampling Plan Includes: 200-IS-1 Operable Units," dated February 7, 2003. RL is requesting a 60-day extension for the submittal of the updated RI/FS Work Plan for the 200-IS-1 and 200-ST-1 OUs. This request is in accordance with the Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order (Tri-Party Agreement) Action Plan, Section 9.0, Documentation and Records. The updated work plan will be submitted to Ecology no later than May 6, 2003.

The work plan was submitted to Ecology on December 23, 2003, to fulfill Tri-Party Agreement Interim Milestone M-013-00M. Ecology's comments on the Draft A version of the work plan were received on February 12, 2003. The document is being revised to address the comments provided. The on-going discussions associated with finalizing a comprehensive and coordinated strategy for ecological risk assessment form the basis of RL's request for the 60-day extension. This extension will help ensure that the document provided in May 2003 meets Ecology's expectations.

If you have any questions, please contact Ellen Mattlin, of my staff, on (509) 376-2385 or Bryan Foley, Waste Management Division, on (509) 376-7087.

Sincerely,

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