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Mr. James E. Rasmussen
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Dear Mr. Rasmussen:

Re: State Waste Discharge Permit ST 4509 Draft Plan

Your *Draft Pollution Prevention and Best Management Practices Plan for State Waste Discharge Permits ST 4508 and ST 4509* (DOE/RL-97-67, Rev. 2, 10/98) was received by the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) as required by State Waste Discharge Permit ST 4509. The plan was reviewed and has been determined to be acceptable as written to cover the discharges included in permit ST 4509 (Cooling Water and Condensate Discharges). Ecology had on January 9, 1998, given written approval on the sections of the plan about discharges covered by permit ST 4508 (Hydrotest, Maintenance, and Construction Discharges).

Permit ST 4509 requires the submittal of a final Pollution Prevention and Best Management Practices Plan within ninety (90) days of receiving this approval letter. Since no changes are required in the draft plan, the only thing that needs to be submitted is the certification statement per general condition G1 of the permit. Submittal of a final copy of the plan is not necessary.

Since the plan has been approved, it should now be put in force for the discharges covered by permit ST 4509. It should already be in use for the discharges covered by permit ST 4508.

If you or your staff have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (509) 736-3047.

Sincerely,

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Administrative Record: Liquid Effluents Consent Order

