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TRANSMITTAL OF DOCUMENT ENTITLED *SAMPLING AND ANALYSIS*
PLAN FOR THE 100 AREA AND 300 AREA COMPONENT OF THE RCBRA
(DOE/RL-2005-42 Draft A)

Dear Mr. Erickson:

This letter transmits to the U. S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office (RL), the following document *Sampling and Analysis Plan for the 100 Area and 300 Area Component of the RCBRA* (DOE/RL-2005-42, Draft A). This document presents the strategy and rationale for collecting data to support the ecological and human health risk assessments for the 100 Area and 300 Area of the Hanford Site. The approach presented in the Sampling and Analysis Plan (SAP) is based on the outcome of the Data Quality Objectives (DQO) process, as described in the *DQO Summary Report for the 100 Area and 300 Area Component of the RCBRA* (BHI-01757). Approval of this SAP is required to initiate sampling for the River Corridor Baseline Risk Assessment (RCBRA) by October 3, 2005, as specified by Tri-Party Agreement Milestone M-016-72.

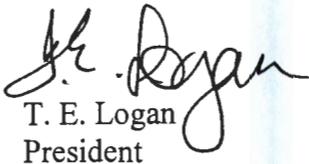
This SAP has been prepared for distribution and 45-day review by the Tri-Parties (RL, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and Washington State Department of Ecology), Natural Resource Trustees, Tribes, Hanford Advisory Board representatives, and interested public. **The document must be received by these entities on or before July 6, 2005 to ensure comments are received by August 19, 2005.** Comments on the subject document must be received by August 19, 2005, to allow adequate time for comment resolution and document revision to meet the October 3, 2005 milestone to begin sampling.

Please find attached the draft transmittal letters and forty (40) copies of the document for your use and distribution to these entities.

As you are aware, the ERC Contract terminates on August 26, 2005 with transition to the RCCC. As currently scheduled, the period for comment resolution and document revision for this SAP extends beyond the transition date. Although not confirmed at this time, it is expected that these and related work activities will continue under the RCCC, with issuance of the Rev. 0 SAP prior to the committed October 3, 2005 date to begin sampling.

If you have any questions regarding this document, please contact Steve Weiss, Project Task Lead, at 372-9495 or Jenifer Linville at 372-9107.

Sincerely,



T. E. Logan
President

Attachments: (1) *Sampling and Analysis Plan for the 100 Area and 300 Area Component of the RCBRA, DOE/RL-2005-42, Draft A*

(2) Draft ghost letters from RL to the following entities:

EPA

Ecology

Hanford Natural Resource Trustee Council

Hanford Advisory Board

Tribes:

Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation

Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation

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