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Dear Mr. Wilson:

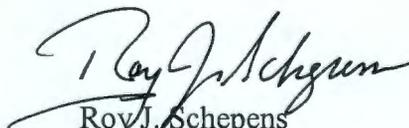
THE STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY (ECOLOGY) REQUEST FOR REVIEW EXTENSION OF THE FIELD INVESTIGATION REPORT (FIR) FOR WASTE MANAGEMENT AREAS T AND TX-TY, RPP-23752, REV. 0.

The U.S. Department of Energy, Office of River Protection (ORP) supports Ecology's request for an extension for review of the FIR for Waste Management Areas T and TX-TY that was delivered in accordance with M-45-55-T03 in July 2005.

This review extension should facilitate a preliminary assessment of the outcome of electrical resistance subsurface geophysical technology demonstration deployed beneath T-Tank Farm and surrounding contiguous areas containing cribs and trenches that could aid in the FIR review. ORP intends to publish separately the findings from this demonstration and will include the information gained from this effort and the shallow soil sampling, in the M-45-55 Phase 1 Summary Documentation planned for January 2007.

If you have any questions, you may contact me, or your staff may contact Bob Lober, Tank Farms Programs and Projects Division, (509) 373-7949.

Sincerely,


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