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SUBMITTAL OF THE CALENDAR YEAR (CY) 2004 LAND DISPOSAL RESTRICTIONS (LDR) REPORT

In accordance with the Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order (Tri-Party Agreement) Interim Milestone M-026-01O, "Submit an Annual Hanford Land Disposal Restrictions Report in Accordance with Agreement Requirements to Cover the Period From 1/1 of the Previous Year Through 12/31 of the Reporting Year ..." the CY 2004 LDR report is attached for regulatory review and approval. Transmittal of this report to the State of Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) and the U.S Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) completes the U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office's (RL) and the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of River Protection's (ORP) requirement to submit the LDR Report by April 30, 2005.

The Attached LDR Report is submitted as a primary document under the Tri-Party Agreement Action Plan, Section 9.0 Documents and Records. Ecology has 45 days following receipt of the document to return comments to RL/ORP. The LDR Report Project Managers agreed that Revision 0 of the report will be issued to Ecology and EPA, with copies provided to the Indian Nations/Tribes, Oregon Office of Energy, and the Administrative Record. The full report distribution will be completed when the primary document comment response process is complete.

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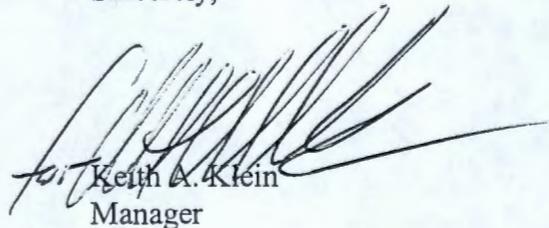
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The requirements for preparing the LDR report come from several sources dating back as far as 1990. Since that time significant progress has been made in treating the backlog of mixed waste and planning and obtaining capabilities for Hanford site mixed waste disposition. In view of this progress, including establishing new mixed waste milestones and preparing the M-91-03 Project Management Plan for disposition of mixed low-level waste, some of the original requirements appear to be outdated or redundant and the usefulness of the annual LDR report needs to be reviewed. Discussions have begun at the project manager meetings to evaluate the continued utility of the report and potential changes in how the reporting requirement can be met. These discussions will lead to the preparation of a TPA change request to propose a mutually agreeable and efficient process for addressing LDR compliance requirements.

If you have questions, please contact me, or your staff may contact Matt McCormick, Assistant Manager for the Central Plateau, on (509) 373-9971, or Woody Russell, ORP, on (509) 373-5227.

Sincerely,



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