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Dear Mr. Wilson:

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TRANSMITTAL OF HANFORD FEDERAL FACILITY AGREEMENT AND CONSENT ORDER (TRI-PARTY AGREEMENT) CHANGE REQUEST M-44-00-01, PROPOSING REVISION TO THE INTERIM MILESTONE SERIES M-44-15, ISSUE CHARACTERIZATION DELIVERABLES CONSISTENT WITH THE WASTE INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS DOCUMENT

The attached signed change request has been prepared jointly with the State of Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) project staff in order to formally clarify the reporting and completion process for the interim milestone series M-44-15. This change consists of minor revisions to the existing wording and the addition of clarifying wording to the interim milestone. The due date for interim milestone deliverables has not changed.

We appreciate Ecology's cooperative effort in working with the Characterization Project on this matter. If you have questions please contact me on (509) 376-6888, or Wen-Shou Liou, Operations Program Division, on (509) 373-9879.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Sanders", written over a horizontal line.

George H. Sanders, Program Manager  
Office of Regulatory Liaison

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Attachment

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Description/Justification of Change (continued)

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M-44-15D      ~~Issue~~ **Complete** Characterization Deliverables Consistent with WIRD Developed for Fiscal Year 2000. Reporting on progress of these deliverables will be done in quarterly reports due at the end of the month following each fiscal year quarter. The fourth quarterly report, due at the end of October, will also include a year end summary of all deliverables due for the fiscal year.      September 30, 2000

M-44-15E      ~~Issue~~ **Complete** Characterization Deliverables Consistent with WIRD Developed for Fiscal Year 2000. Reporting on progress of these deliverables will be done in quarterly reports due at the end of the month following each fiscal year quarter. The fourth quarterly report, due at the end of October, will also include a year end summary of all deliverables due for the fiscal year.      September 30, 2001

M-44-15F      ~~Issue~~ **Complete** Characterization Deliverables Consistent with WIRD Developed for Fiscal Year 2000. Reporting on progress of these deliverables will be done in quarterly reports due at the end of the month following each fiscal year quarter. The fourth quarterly report, due at the end of October, will also include a year end summary of all deliverables due for the fiscal year.      September 30, 2002

Note: Both parties recognize that the physical field activities identified in the WIRD will continue to be completed by the September 30 due date for the corresponding fiscal year. However, the progress and final notification for completion of the interim (M-44-15D, M-44-15E, M-44-15F) and major milestone (M-44-00A) can be documented in the quarterly and year-end reports, with the year end report due at the end of October.

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