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Dear Messrs. Sherwood and Stanley:

REQUEST TO WITHDRAW CHANGE REQUEST M-19-91-01 FOR WASTE RECEIVING AND PROCESSING FACILITY MODULE II (WRAP II)

The subject formal Class I Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order (TPA) Change Control Form was transmitted on October 27, 1992, for your approval. This change request separated Waste Receiving and Processing (WRAP) II into two sub-modules: (1) a mixed waste treatment unit (called WRAP 2A) for Low-Level Mixed Waste (LLMW), and (2) Module 2B for Transuranic (TRU) waste requiring further processing including large boxes and remote-handled TRU. Due to technical uncertainties associated with the Waste Isolation Pilot Project - Waste Acceptance Criteria (WIPP-WAC), these changes were requested to allow us to proceed with design and construction of a LLMW facility (WRAP 2A) while developing the site-wide needs for waste handling capabilities provided by Module 2B in parallel with resolution of WIPP-WAC.

In our March 9, 1994, meeting, we agreed with the concept of withdrawing the subject change request, which would allow proceeding on WRAP Module 2A to fulfill TPA milestone M-19-00, and submitting an additional change request to incorporate future facilities (including any facility needed to meet the WRAP 2B mission) within TPA milestone M-33-00.

It is therefore requested that the subject change request be withdrawn, which will allow us to proceed as planned with WRAP Module 2A. This will fulfill TPA milestone M-19-00, as currently written.



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To address the site-wide needs for waste handling capabilities provided by WRAP Module 2B, a change request to TPA milestone M-33-00 will be transmitted by separate correspondence. This change request will incorporate the scope of the WRAP 2B mission entirely within the scope of TPA milestone M-33-00 and will address concerns expressed by the regulators (i.e., impacts; schedules; etc).

The U. S. Department of Energy is pleased with the recent agreements made regarding these issues and looks forward to a timely resolution of this matter. Should you have any questions, feel free to call me on (509) 376-6798 or June Hennig of the Waste Management Division on (509) 376-1366.

Sincerely,

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