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Dear Mr. Wagoner:

Roger Stanley and Dave Jansen of my staff have informed me that data management and data reporting were discussed at the Tri-Party Agreement Senior Executive Committee (SEC) meeting on December 18, 1992. We were encouraged by your commitment to remove obstacles denying us data which we need for efficient decision-making for environmental restoration and waste management activities at Hanford. With this objective in mind, we want to move quickly to implement the data reporting requirements of the Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order (TPA).

Discussions among TPA unit managers and data management personnel subsequent to the SEC meeting indicate that a coordinated effort to "get things moving" must occur, and that this initiative must come from the Department of Energy's executive management. As a start, we ask that prompt action be taken to release to Ecology and EPA all data entered into the Hanford Environmental Information System (HEIS). As a follow up, we request your support to ensure all other databases identified in Section 9.6.4 of the TPA be open and accessible to Ecology and EPA.

We also recommend that the Department of Energy and its contractors work closer with Ecology and EPA representatives toward a better understanding of data management problems and potential solutions. We anticipate this dialogue will ultimately result in milestones to ensure adequate resources are available to Energy to meet its commitments under the TPA in this important area.

Please have your staff contact David Jansen at (206) 438-7021 or Larry Goldstein at (206) 438-7018, respectively, to discuss this matter further.

Sincerely,

Mary Riveland

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