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Dear Mr. Price:

REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION/FEASIBILITY STUDY (RI/FS) WORK PLAN FOR  
TANKS/LINES/PITS/BOXES/SEPTIC TANKS AND DRAIN FIELDS WASTE GROUP  
OPERABLE UNIT, 200-IS-1 AND 200-ST-1

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The purpose of the letter is to respond to your February 25, 2005, correspondence stating that the State of Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) reviewed the subject document and concludes that there are major issues and requests that these issues be resolved by implementing the Tri-Party Agreement dispute resolution process. RL is willing, at Ecology's request, to participate in the Tri-Party Agreement dispute resolution process to address these issues, and agrees that this process would not start until April 1, 2005, when the 200-SW-1/2 RI work plan discussions have been completed.

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

Sincerely,

Keith A. Klein  
Manager

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