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Mr. Robert Mcleod
U.S. Department of Energy
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Dear Mr. Mcleod:

Re: Response to Closure Completion for 300 Area Process Trenches Letter (DOE/RL 041468)

Standard closure proceeding, pursuant to the State of Washington Dangerous Waste Regulations (i.e., WAC-173-303-610(6)), requires the U.S. Department of Energy (USDOE) to submit certification of closure within sixty (60) days of closure completion. Closure of the 300 Area Process Trenches (APT) will be coordinated with remedial actions, as stipulated in the 300-FF-1 operable unit Record of Decision (ROD). An integrated clean up process, such as this, is not considered standard and, therefore, the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) will consider closure complete after the following activities occur:

- Soil removal is completed, as stipulated in the remedial action work plan,
- Ecology agrees verification sampling indicates contaminant levels for soils to remain in place are below the Model Toxics Control Act, Method C values, and
- Certification by an independent, qualified, registered professional engineer is performed and submitted to Ecology.

Normally, site restoration occurs as part of the closure completion activities. In support of effectively integrating field activities, pursuant to the 300 APT Closure Plan and the 300-FF-1 Remedial Action Work Plan, Ecology will allow site restoration for 300 APT to be coordinated with the remaining operable unit cleanup.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (509) 736-3012.

Sincerely,

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300 Area Process Trenches

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