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Dear Messrs. Alexander and Sherwood:

HANFORD FEDERAL FACILITY AGREEMENT AND CONSENT ORDER MILESTONE M-16-06B -  
START OF OPERATIONS FOR THE 100-HR-3 PUMP-AND-TREAT SYSTEM

The U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office (RL), has accomplished the subject milestone by initiating operations at the 100-HR-3 Pump-and-Treat System. The subject milestone required RL to initiate operation of the treatment system by July 1, 1997. On June 30, 1997, the system was operating at a capacity of 170 gpm on a 24-hour per day basis. The system is treating groundwater for the removal of chromium to the maximum extent practicable and will comply with the 50 ppb standard for total chromium set forth in the State of Washington's Model Toxics and Control Act, Method A. Performance sampling is being conducted in accordance with the Interim Action Monitoring Plan for the 100-HR-3 and 100-KR-4 Operable Units, DOE/RL-96-90, Rev. 0.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 373-9631.

Sincerely,

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