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REDIRECTION OF EFFORTS ON HANFORD FEDERAL FACILITY AGREEMENT AND  
CONSENT ORDER (TRI-PARTY AGREEMENT) INTERIM MILESTONES M-015-38B,  
M-015-44C, M-015-51, M-015-73, AND M-015-83

The U.S. Department of Energy Richland Operations Office (RL) appreciates the efforts of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the State of Washington Department of Ecology Nuclear Waste Program (Ecology) (Parties) in working with RL to develop a proposed Tri-Party Agreement milestone change package which provides a framework for making cleanup decisions on the Central Plateau of the Hanford Site.

Below is the list of milestones which are impacted (in the near term) by the pending change package proposed by the Parties. This letter serves as the official notification that the Tri-Party Agreement milestones listed below will not be met. RL has not included signed Tri-Party Agreement change packages showing proposed revisions to these milestones because those changes are identified in the Tentative Agreement dated March 29, 2010. Should the proposed changes to the Tri-Party Agreement not be made and RL is required to meet the milestones listed below, RL will submit milestone change packages requesting a day-for-day change to the current deadlines from March 1, 2010, to the date when the Parties determined to retain existing milestones in favor of those proposed in the Tentative Agreement.

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Milestones to which this letter applies are listed below:

Milestone	Description	Due Date
M-015-38B	Submit a revised Feasibility Study Report and revised Proposed Plan for the 200-CW-1 waste sites in the outer area of the Central Plateau to Ecology. This Proposed Plan may be used as a basis for a record of decision for the Outer Central Plateau Area.	11/30/2010
M-015-44C	Submit 200-MW-1 OU Proposed Plan to EPA.	02/28/2011
M-015-51	Submit a revised Feasibility Study Report and Proposed Plan for the 200 BC Cribs and Trenches for the new OU 200-BC-1 to EPA, that will include the results of the treatability tests for 200 BC Cribs and Trenches.	09/30/2010
M-015-73	Submit Feasibility Study Report and Proposed Plan for the 200-PO-1 Operable Unit.	12/31/2011
M-015-83	Submit a Proposed Plan for 200-UW-1.	06/30/2010

We believe it is appropriate to focus our energy on the work in front of us now, rather than expending staff and contactor resources on meeting milestones which we have tentatively agreed to change. Therefore, as we discussed during the February 24, 2010, meeting in Seattle, Washington, RL plans to direct staff and contractor resources towards meeting the proposed milestones in the Tentative Agreement.

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

Sincerely,

  
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200-IS-1, 200-MW-1, 200-PO-1, 200-SW-2, 200-UW-1)  
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