



U.S. Department of Energy Hanford Site

August 1, 2023

23-AMRP-0002

Mr. David R. Einan, Manager
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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
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Dear Mr. Einan:

INITIATION OF DISPUTE RESOLUTION REGARDING DISAPPROVAL OF HANFORD FEDERAL FACILITY AGREEMENT AND CONSENT ORDER CHANGE CONTROL FORM M-24-23-01

On July 24, 2023, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) provided the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) a Class II Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order (Tri-Party Agreement), Change Control Form M-24-23-01, transmitted via email to EPA. The change control form provided for continued installation of new groundwater protection, monitoring, and remediation wells. This change control form proposed the list of monitoring wells planned to be drilled/constructed in Calendar Years (CY) 2023 – 2025, provided the new list of wells for CY 2026 for Milestone M-024-77, and proposed to create Milestone M-024-77 and Target Date M-024-77-T01.

On July 26, 2023, EPA notified DOE that they were not willing to sign the Change Control Form M-24-23-01 because of the unresolved issue with the 618-11 Burial Ground wells (D0417, D0418, and D0419) in the 300-FF-5 Operable Unit. This notification constitutes EPA's disapproval of Tri-Party Agreement Change Control Form M-24-23-01. The purpose of this letter is to invoke dispute resolution with EPA pursuant to Tri-Party Agreement, Article XVI, Resolution of Disputes, Paragraph 59, and Article XL, Good Cause for Extensions, Paragraph 124.

DOE will make a good faith effort to informally resolve this dispute with EPA at the Project Manager level.

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If you have any questions, please contact me, or you may contact Naomi Jaschke, Director, Soil and Groundwater Division, at (509) 376-5594.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Thomas K. Teynor" with a stylized flourish at the end.

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for the River and Plateau

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