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Ms. Jane A. Hedges, Program Manager
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Dear Ms. Hedges:

**REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE TEMPORARY WASTE TRANSFER LINE
MANAGEMENT PROGRAM PLAN**

References: 1. Ecology letter J. J. Lyon to S. J. Olinger, ORP, and J. C. Fulton, CH2M HILL, "Management and Use of Expired Hose in Hose Transfer Lines (HIHTLs)," dated October 2, 2007.

0074713 2. ORP letter S. J. Olinger to J. A. Hedges, Ecology, "Quarterly Report for the Tank Farm Temporary Waste Transfer Lines," 07-TPD-062, dated December 11, 2007.

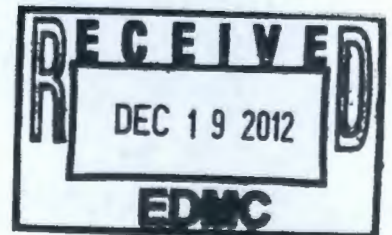
0072876 3. Ecology letter B. Wilson to S. J. Olinger, ORP and M. S. Spears, CH2M HILL, "Notice of Violation for Unfit-For-Use Hazardous Waste Tank System Components," dated May 14, 2007.

Attached please find the updated *Temporary Waste Transfer Line Management Program Plan*, RPP-12711, Revision 3K. This plan has been updated in response to Reference 1 and it incorporates changes that were discussed in detail with your staff on October 25, 2007, November 20, 2007, and January 26, 2008. The U.S. Department of Energy, Office of River Protection (ORP) is submitting this updated plan and future status reporting in full satisfaction of all of the Corrective Measures (as amended over time) required as a result of Washington State Department of Ecology's (Ecology's) "Notice of Violation for Unfit-for-Use Hazardous Waste Tank System Components," dated May 14, 2007.

As discussed with your staff, Ecology's approval of this plan will constitute approval of the Hose in Hose waiver process as described in Ecology's October 2, 2007, letter. Temporary waste transfer line life extension determinations will be available for Ecology's review and inspection and will include a "fit-for-use" determination by an Independent Qualified Registered Professional Engineer rather than approval of each transfer line life extension on a case-by-case basis.

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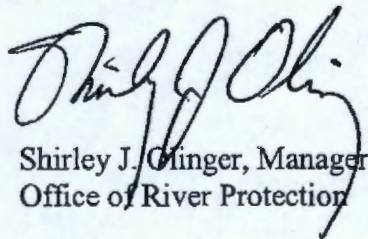


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Reference 2 contains the HIHTL removal schedule that is consistent with the technical process described in the attached plan. Further changes in the approach to transfer line management will necessitate a revision to the removal schedule.

If you have any questions, please contact me or your staff my contact Mr. Delmar Noyes, Acting Assistant Manager for Tank Farms Project, (509)376-5166.

Sincerely,



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Attachment

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