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Hanford Site

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Mr. David B. Bowen, Program Manager
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Dear Mr. Bowen:

INITIATION OF DISPUTE RESOLUTION FOR PRIMARY DOCUMENT REVIEW PROCESS ON THE CALENDAR YEAR 2019 HANFORD SITE MIXED WASTE LAND DISPOSAL RESTRICTIONS FULL REPORT, DOE/RL-2020-09, REVISION 1

References:

1. Ecology letter from D.B Bowen, Ecology to W.F. Hamel, DOE, "Calendar Year 2019 Hanford Site Mixed-Waste Land Disposal Restrictions (LDR) Full Report, DOE/RL-2020-09, Revision 1, Per M-026-01AD" 21-NWP-158, dated September 23, 2021.

2. DOE letter from W.F. Hamel, to D.B. Bowen, Ecology, "Calendar Year 2019 Hanford Site Mixed Waste Land Disposal Restrictions Full Report, DOE/RL-2020-09, Revision 1," 21-PFD-0002668, dated August 25, 2021.

3. Ecology letter from D.B. Bowen, Ecology to B.T. Vance, DOE, "Department of Ecology's Comments on 2019 Hanford Land Disposal Restriction Full Report, DOE/RL-2020-09, Revision 0, per M-026-01AD," 20-NWP-188, dated December 17, 2020.

4. DOE letter from W.F. Hamel, to A.K. Smith, Ecology and C.E. Cameron, EPA, "2019 Hanford Land Disposal Restrictions (LDR) Full Report, DOE/RL-2020-09, Revision 0," 20-PFD-0042, dated July 28, 2020.

The purpose of this letter is for the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to invoke Dispute Resolution pursuant to the primary document review process, in accordance with the Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order (Tri-Party Agreement) Action Plan, Section 9.2.1, regarding the Washington State Department of Ecology's disapproval of the subject report.

DOE will make a good faith effort to informally resolve this dispute with Ecology at the Project Manager level within 30 days.

If you have any questions, please contact me, or your staff may contact Mark French, Director, Project and Facilities Division, on (509) 373-9863.

Sincerely,

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