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Advice #82 From: John D. Wagoner, Tom Fitzsimmons, and Chuck Clarke

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Dear Ms. Reeves:

BOARD CONSENSUS ADVICE #82: PROPOSED TRI-PARTY AGREEMENT (TPA) COMMITMENTS ON THE 200 AREAS ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION SOIL REMEDIATION STRATEGY, DECEMBER 5,

The Tri-Party agencies have reviewed the consensus advice provided by the Hanford Advisory Board on December 5, 1997. The agencies thank you for the advice and appreciate the Board's support on the proposed amendments to the Tri-Party Agreement.

The agencies agree with the advice that site-specific data will need to be collected to validate closure decisions. As described in the 200 Areas Soil Remediation Strategy - Environmental Restoration Program, "for sites with decision documents, based on analogous site information, sampling will be performed to verify that analogous conditions exist and that the remedial alternative decision is appropriate."

The agencies also agree with the board's recognition that the 200 Area strategy document is not a remedial decision document and cannot be used as such. The primary purpose of the implementation plan proposed in the change request, is to capture common or generic information relative to the Z00 Area to minlmize duplication in future work plans. Secondly, the implementation plan will serve as the foundation for describing the RCRA process. CERCLA process and how and where the integration of these regulations and requirements will be addressed for the 200 Area Waste Site Groupings. In discussions on the implementation plan with the Hanford Advisory Board and the Environmental Restoration Committee, the agencies have committed to holding a workshop for those parties interested in the development of the implementation plan. A date for this workshop is still being identified but is anticipated to be held in mid-February 1998.

As you know, the public comment period for our 200 Areas Soil Remediation change request ended on January 9, 1998. A small number of comments, also supportive of the proposed change request, were received in addition to the Board advice. Our staff is now reviewing these comments. We expect package finalization in February 1998.

Again, we wish to thank the Hanford Advisory Board for the advice and will continue to provide periodic updates on the environmental restoration program's efforts toward the 200 Areas Soil Remediation as requested.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Linda Bauer, Assistant Manager for Environmental

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