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Mr. Todd Martin, Chair
Hanford Advisory Board
1933 Jadwin Avenue, Suite 135
Richland, Washington 99352

Dear Mr. Martin:

**HANFORD ADVISORY BOARD (HAB) ADVICE #151 – RISK-BASED END STATES
(RBES)**

This letter is the Richland Operations Office (RL) and Office of River Protection's (ORP) response to HAB's advice #151, addressed to Assistant Secretary Roberson, regarding RBES. We appreciate the HAB's comments and will consider them as we revise the draft Hanford Site Risk-Based End State Vision document. In addition, the advice will be included as an attachment to the revised document we provide to Assistant Secretary Roberson. During a future discussion after the document has been revised, we will provide specifics of how your comments were dispositioned.

To address recent guidance received from DOE Headquarters, RL and ORP are required to submit a second draft RBES Vision document on February 1, 2004. The final RBES Vision document is to be submitted to DOE-HQ by March 31, 2004. We will provide copies of both the second draft and the final to the HAB as we transmit them to DOE Headquarters.

If you have any questions, please contact us or Mike Thompson, Office of the Assistant Manager for the Central Plateau, at (509) 373-0750.

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Keith A. Klein, Manager
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for Roy J. Schepens, Manager
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