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

Dear Mr. Martin:

CONSENSUS ADVICE #130: LONG-TERM STEWARDSHIP (LTS)

Thank you for submitting Hanford Advisory Board advice #130 on LTS. The U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office (RL) concurs with the delay in issuing the LTS planning document. The document will be delayed until we can include appropriate information from the important outcomes from the Cleanup Constraints and Challenges Team, the Hanford Solid Waste Environmental Impact Statement review and comment, Tri-Party Agreement negotiations, review of the Performance Management Plan for Accelerated Cleanup of the Hanford Site, and the Hanford Advisory Board Exposure Scenarios Task Force. RL plans to issue the first document as Revision 0 and revise it over time.

We appreciate your support and interest in LTS planning. We intend to conduct another LTS workshop similar to the two we did last year. This next LTS workshop will be scheduled in the fall timeframe. If you need further information or assistance, please contact Jim Daily on (509) 376-7721.

Sincerely,

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