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Mr. Todd Martin, Chair  
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Dear Mr. Martin:

CONSENSUS ADVICE #131: PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT PLAN

In response to your letter to me, et al, same subject, dated June 7, 2002, this letter provides an initial response to your advice on the May 1 Performance Management Plan for the Accelerated Cleanup of Hanford. Over the next several weeks, we will be considering issues and ideas we received from the Tribal Nations, State of Washington Department of Ecology, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Hanford Advisory Board (HAB), the public, and others for incorporation into the plan. We will provide a response to each of the topics you addressed once we have issued the August 1 plan.

Thank you for the speed with which the HAB provided us detailed consensus advice to the May 1 draft. You were diligent and thoughtful and expedited your processes to provide us with timely advice. We are committed to provide not only an expedited cleanup, but also a quality cleanup that is protective of human health and the environment, and is fully compliant with all applicable state and federal laws. We will continue to work closely with our regulators and use the change processes outlined in the Tri-Party Agreement, including requirements for public involvement.

In the August 1 version of this plan, we will provide greater information about our assumptions, to further refine our strategic initiatives, to provide more information on groundwater, and to highlight our public involvement strategies. We will look to your advice to provide us guidance on these and other issues.

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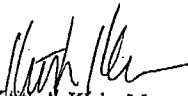
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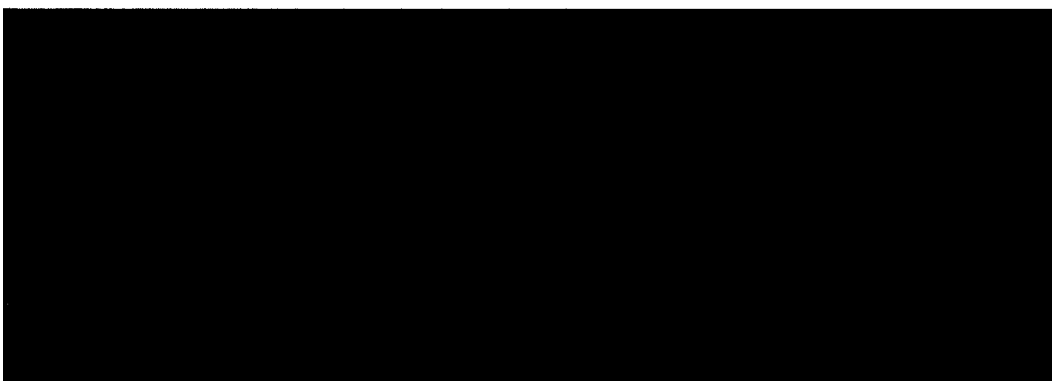
Again, thank you for your timely comments. Should you have any questions, you may contact Yvonne Sherman, DOE, Public Involvement Manager, on (509) 376-6216.

  
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