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October 10, 1995

Ms. Marilyn B. Reeves, Chair  
Hanford Advisory Board  
800 NW Sixth Avenue  
Suite 342  
Portland, OR 97209-3715

Dear Ms. Reeves:

Dan Silver asked that I forward a copy of Governor Lowry's correspondence to John Wagoner regarding the Request for Proposal for the Hanford Management Integration Contract.

Please call me at 360/407-7014 should you have questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

Janice Jackson  
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September 13, 1995

Mr. John Wagoner, Manager  
U.S. Department of Energy-RL  
Post Office Box 550  
Richland, Washington 99352

Dear John:

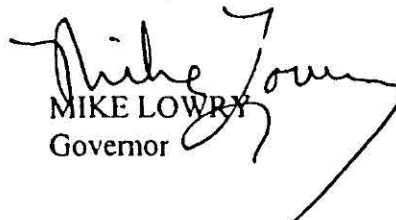
I am writing about the draft Request for Proposal (RFP) for the Hanford Management Integration Contract, now out for public comment. In general, I am very pleased that the Department of Energy is aggressively pursuing contract reform at Hanford.

However, I am particularly concerned about the provisions of the draft RFP which directly affect Hanford's workers, one of the most talented and valuable workforces in the state. I think your RFP should be fairer for those workers. The Department of Energy, its contractors, and subcontractors should honor the site-wide benefits which have previously been negotiated and agreed to, including the pension benefits.

It is not enough to protect continuity of benefits only for the direct employees of the new site integration contractor. The federal government should protect continuity for the subcontractors' employees as well.

In short, while I am a strong supporter of contract reform and Hanford, and of your efforts to bring increased competition to the site, I strongly urge you to treat the current workforce in a fair manner. Those workers are critical to our success in cleaning up Hanford.

Sincerely,

  
MIKE LOWRY  
Governor

cc: The Honorable Hazel O'Leary