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Ms. Susan Leckband, Chair Hanford Advisory Board 713 Jadwin Avenue, Suite 4 Richland, Washington 99352

Re: Hanford Advisory Board Advice #222 - State of the Site Meetings

Dear Ms. Leckband:

Thank you for the Hanford Advisory Board (HAB) Advice regarding the annual Hanford State of the Site meetings. We appreciate your recommendations on objectives for the meetings, supporting those objectives, and how to promote the meetings. Advice from the HAB is important to the Tri-Party Agreement agencies as we plan future State of the Site meetings.

The Department of Ecology is discussing your recommendations with the United States Department of Energy and the United States Environmental Protection Agency. We will provide a joint response in the next few weeks.

Sincerely,

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