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

Re:

Response to Hanford Advisory Board Consensus Advice #220

Dear Ms. Leckband: Sus Aw

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) would like to thank the Hanford Advisory Board (HAB) for their advice on the Fiscal Year 2010 budget request and stimulus funds. We agree that the distribution of American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA) funding provides significant cleanup opportunities to complete work on the Hanford site through 2011. EPA will continue to work with the Department of Energy and Ecology on developing work schedules and TPA milestones for further characterization and cleanup of the Central Plateau, and we will share this information with the HAB as soon as it is available.

EPA appreciates the continued efforts of the HAB to provide meaningful advice regarding cleanup efforts at Hanford. We look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

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