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

Re: Hanford Advisory Board Consensus Advice #207 – Criteria for Development of the
Proposed Plan for 200-PW-1, 3, and 6

Dear Ms. Leckband:

Thank you for your comments on the Proposed Plan for 200-PW-1, 3, and 6. As you know, the United States Environmental Protection Agency is the regulatory lead for this site. Ecology has been involved in limited review of the plan and has attended stakeholder meetings.

We appreciate your advice and assure you that:

- We strongly support early, iterative processes with the Board, tribes, and other stakeholders in developing remediation and closure decisions.
- We believe that all cleanup decisions should be based on adequate characterization as required by the regulatory agencies.
- We will maintain, to the extent practicable, a bias for removal.
- We will work with the U.S. Department of Energy and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to ensure that retrieved waste is designated, managed, and disposed in an appropriate and timely manner.

Ecology will continue to emphasize and support integration of waste sites and neighboring sites so that areas affected by similar contaminants or from the same source can be addressed in a holistic manner.

Sincerely,

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