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March 27, 2008

Ms. Shirley J. Olinger, Manager
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United States Department of Energy
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Re: Initiation of Public Comment Period, Proposed Approval of 241-AY and 241-AZ Ventilation Approval Order Revision Request

Dear Ms. Olinger:

The Department of Ecology reviewed your application (Reference 1) to modify the approval to operate ventilation systems for the 241-AY and 241-AZ double-shell tank farms. We found your application complete in accord with Washington Administration Code (WAC) 173-400-110(6)(a) (Reference 2).

Ecology is initiating a public comment period for the review of conditions in Order 94-07, Proposed Revision 2, prepared in response to your application. The public comment period will begin on April 1, 2008, extending for a minimum of 30 days. No public hearing is currently scheduled.

The following information has been provided to the public information repositories in Richland, Spokane, and Seattle, Washington, as well as Portland, Oregon:

- A Focus Sheet describing the proposed action and public comment period.
- Order 94-07, Proposed Revision 2.
- Your application for approval.

This information will also be available on the Ecology website at:
<http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/nwp/commentperiods.htm>

Of particular interest, your project involves the development of public exposure standards not currently established in WAC 173-460. The enclosed proposed permit contains standards developed by Ecology.



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We encourage your active comment and support in this proposed permit approval. If you have questions, please call me at 509-372-7983.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure

References:

1. Letter 08-ESQ-015, dated January 18, 2008, *Request for Approval of Revision to the Notice of Construction (NOC) and Approval Order for the Ventilation Upgrades, 241-AY and 241-AZ, and Amendment to Hanford Site Air Operating Permit (AOP) for Emission Unit 200E P-296A042 Ammonia Emission Limit*
2. Ecology letter, dated February 21, 2008, *Determination of Completeness and Initiation of Public Comment Period, 241-AY and 241-AZ Ventilation Approval Order Revision Request.*

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