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LIST OF TERMS

AEA	Atomic Energy Act
ALARA	as low as reasonably achievable
CSB	Canister Storage Building
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CWC	Central Waste Complex
DOE	U.S. Department of Energy
DOE-RL	U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office
DOT	U.S. Department of Transportation
DST	double-shell tank
Ecology	Washington State Department of Ecology
EIS	environmental impact statement
EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
FEIS	Final Environmental Impact Statement
HLW	high-level waste
IHLW	Immobilized High-Level Tank Waste
ILAW	Immobilized Low-Activity Tank Waste
LAW	low-activity waste
LLBG	low-level background
LLW	low-level waste
NEPA	<i>National Environmental Policy Act of 1969</i>
NOD	Notice of Deficiency
NOI	Notice of Intent
NRC	Nuclear Regulatory Commission
PHMC	Project Hanford Management Contractor
RCRA	<i>Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976</i>
ROD	Record of Decision
SARP	Safety Analysis Report for Packaging
SEPA	<i>State Environmental Policy Act of 1971</i>
SNF	Spent Nuclear Fuel
TPA	Tri-Party Agreement (Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order)
TSD	treatment, storage, and/or disposal
TWRS	Tank Waste Remediation Systems
WAC	Washington Administrative Code

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PERMITTING PLAN FOR THE IMMOBILIZED LOW-ACTIVITY WASTE PROJECT

1.0 INTRODUCTION

This document addresses the environmental permitting requirements for the transportation and interim storage of the Immobilized Low-Activity Waste (ILAW) produced during Phase 1 of the Hanford Site privatization effort.

Tri-Party Agreement (TPA) Milestone M-90 establishes a new major milestone, and associated interim milestones and target dates, governing acquisition and/or modification of facilities necessary for: 1) interim storage and disposal of Tank Waste Remediation Systems (TWRS) immobilized low-activity tank waste (ILAW) and 2) interim storage of TWRS immobilized HLW (IHLW) and other canistered high-level waste forms.

Low-activity waste (LAW), low-level waste (LLW), and high-level waste (HLW) are defined by the "TWRS, Hanford Site, Richland, Washington, Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)" DOE/EIS-0189, August 1996 (TWRS, Final EIS). By definition, HLW requires permanent isolation in a deep geologic repository. Also by definition, LAW is "the waste that remains after separating from high-level waste as much of the radioactivity as is practicable that when solidified may be disposed of as LLW in a near-surface facility according to the NRC regulations."

It is planned to store/dispose of (ILAW) inside four empty vaults of the five that were originally constructed for the Group Program.

Additional disposal facilities will be constructed to accommodate immobilized LLW packages produced after the Grout Vaults are filled. The specifications for performance of the low-activity vitrified waste form have been established with strong consideration of risk to the public. The specifications for glass waste from performance are being closely coordinated with analysis of risk. RL has pursued discussions with the NRC for a determination of the classification of the Hanford Site's low-activity tank waste fraction. There is no known RL action to change law with respect to onsite disposal of waste.

An environmental requirements checklist and narrative titled "Environmental Requirements Checklist For The Immobilized Low-Activity Waste Interim Storage, Project W-465": (interoffice memorandum #70370-97-003), was developed to identify the permitting path forward for the (ILAW) project (See Appendix B). This permitting plan will follow the permitting logic developed in that checklist.

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2.0 NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT

The *National Environmental Policy Act of 1969* (NEPA) (42 USC 4321, et seq.), was enacted to ensure that environmental matters are considered before federal actions are initiated that might affect the quality of the human environment. The DOE regulation, *National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Procedures* [10 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 1021], promulgated under NEPA was developed to conform with 40 CFR 1500-1508 regulations and to categorize the environmental impacts associated with various DOE proposals or actions.

2.1 INTRODUCTION

The proposed action to store LAW canisters by improving the existing grout vaults is a major action requiring appropriate NEPA documentation.

2.2 SUMMARY OF DATA AND/OR INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

The types of information and data needed can be grouped into the following broad categories:

- Purpose and Need for Action
 - Why action is needed now and how it relates to other actions.
- Alternatives Considered
 - Do nothing different from current storage, pick a disposal method that does not require intermediate storage, use a different type or form of interim waste storage, or use a different location for interim storage.
- Environments and Resources Affected
 - Geological, aquatic, atmospheric, biological, cultural, socioeconomic, terrestrial, visual, audio, and natural environments; transportation resources.
- Environmental Consequences
 - Possible consequences to environments listed above. Also, anticipated health affects from routine and non-routine operations, including accidents. Possibility of disproportionate impacts on minority group(s) must be identified.
- Statutory and Regulatory Requirements
 - These relate to *Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976* (RCRA) and other permitting requirements addressed in other sections of this permitting plan.

Preparation of appropriate NEPA documentation requires data on: natural, biological, or cultural resources used or impacted by the alternatives considered; socioeconomic of the region; land use, both current and future; visual resources impacted; noise and transportation impacts from construction, operation, and decommissioning; and hazardous or toxic substances used or potentially released into the environment.

2.3 DISCUSSION OF ALTERNATIVES

Three alternatives exist for NEPA documentation regarding the action to store and dispose LAW containers in the grout vaults:

1. Prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS).
2. Prepare an environmental assessment to determine if an EIS is needed or if a finding of no significant impact is appropriate.
3. Identify that the action to be taken is covered by an existing EIS.

2.4 RECOMMENDED NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT STRATEGY

Adhere to the U. S. Department of Energy's Record Of Decision (ROD), [62 FR 8693] for the Tank Waste Remediation System. The ROD was based upon the *Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Tank Waste Remediation System, DOE/EIS-0189F* (DOE 1996b), co-authored by the U.S. Department of Energy and the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology).

The "Phased Implementation Alternative," was identified in the final EIS as the preferred alternative. The pertinent items listed within the ROD are:

- Constructing demonstration-scale facilities to produce vitrified low activity waste
- Vitrifying the high-level waste stream and the low-activity waste stream
- Placing the immobilized low-activity waste in containers and placing the containers in onsite, near-surface, disposal facilities
- Transporting the low- and high-activity wastes to onsite interim storage facilities.

2.5 PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE

(See Appendix A)

3.0 STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT

The *State Environmental Policy Act of 1971* (SEPA) (Chapter 43.21C Revised Code of Washington) legislation is the Washington State equivalent of NEPA, and requires evaluation of environmental impacts associated with a project or an agency action before approval of the project or action is granted. The SEPA rules, Washington Administrative Code (WAC) Chapter 197-11 (WAC 197-11), are the implementing regulations.

3.1 INTRODUCTION

The normal method of addressing the SEPA requirements is to complete a SEPA checklist that provides the information necessary for the appropriate State agency to make a threshold determination on the significance of the proposed action. If the proposed action is categorically exempt or non-significant, further action under SEPA is not required. If the proposed action is significant, preparation of an environmental impact statement is required. An option exists for adoption of an existing document(s) (for example, a NEPA EIS) to fulfil the agency's responsibilities.

3.2 SUMMARY OF DATA AND/OR INFORMATION

The types of data and information needed are those discussed in Section 2.2 regarding the NEPA process.

3.3 DISCUSSION OF ALTERNATIVES

Three alternatives exist for compliance with SEPA:

1. Submit a SEPA checklist in conjunction with an application for permit(s) needed (for example, air, RCRA, building) and let the agency determine if an environmental impact statement is required.
2. Submit a letter to, or provide a briefing to, appropriate regulatory agencies (Ecology is normally the lead agency for TWRS activities) stating that the U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office (DOE-RL) believes an environmental impact statement is required.
3. Submit a letter to, or provide a briefing to, appropriate regulatory agencies (Ecology is normally the lead agency for TWRS activities) stating that DOE-RL believes that existing environmental documentation provided to or prepared by Washington State agencies, and issuance of permits by those agencies, cover this action.

3.4 RECOMMENDED STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT STRATEGY

The recommended approach is to inform Ecology that the Tank Waste Remediation Systems/Final Environmental Impact Statement (TWRS/FEIS) (DOE 1996b), and issuance of permits necessary for use of the existing grout vaults cover this action. This could be included in the notice of intent for RCRA permitting (See Section 4.3).

3.5 PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE

(See Appendix A)

4.0 RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND RECOVERY ACT

RCRA was enacted as a comprehensive national program to mandate that hazardous waste will be treated, stored, and disposed of so as to minimize the present and future threat to human health and the environment. In the State of Washington, the dangerous waste regulations (WAC 173-303) are the implementing regulations.

4.1 INTRODUCTION

The ILAW project will provide interim storage and disposal for ILAW waste that has been treated by vitrification. The treatment, storage, and/or disposal (TSD) unit(s) that will be used to manage the ILAW will need to be permitted per WAC 173-303 to accommodate this activity.

A portion of the Hanford Facility application for a TSD unit permit consists of three collective submittals. Each submittal consists of various levels of detailed information concerning the TSD Unit. The three submittals are the Notice of Intent (NOI), the unit-specific form 3 portion of the Hanford Facility Part A permit application (Part A), and the unit-specific portion of the Hanford Facility Part B permit application (Part B).

The dangerous waste regulations (WAC 173-303) apply to all facilities within Washington State that treat, store, and/or dispose of dangerous waste. These regulations are equivalent to, or more stringent than, the federal hazardous waste regulations. Under the dangerous waste program, all TSD units on the Hanford Facility must obtain a permit. Facilities that were in existence on November 19, 1980, were granted an interim status permit with the submittal of a Part A identifying the intent to treat, store, and/or dispose of dangerous waste. Interim status ends after final administrative disposition of the Part B documentation is completed, and a final status permit is granted or denied.

Refer to Appendix A for the RCRA ILAW permitting schedule.

4.1.1 Notice of Intent

An NOI is required for expansion of the Hanford Facility, an existing facility. Expansion includes enlargement of land surface area, the addition of new dangerous waste processes, or an increase in overall design capacity. The NOI contains preliminary information concerning the TSD unit expansion. The NOI requires a general process description, operating capacities, waste type, a topographic map, a statement of environmental conditions, and could include a SEPA environmental checklist.

In accordance with WAC 173-303-281, the NOI must be submitted to the public (public reading rooms), Ecology, and the EPA, Region 10. A public notification is published in a local daily newspaper for 14 consecutive days. The NOI process normally requires approximately 11 months to complete and submit.

4.1.2 Part A

The Part A includes process design capacity, process description, dangerous waste numbers and estimated annual quantity, description of dangerous waste, facility diagrams, photographs, geographic location, facility owner, and operator/co-operator certification. The Part A is submitted no earlier than 150 days following submittal of the NOI to Ecology and the public. The preparation process requires approximately 5 months to complete, including DOE-RL/Project Hanford Management Contractor (PHMC) review and certification.

4.1.3 Part B

The Part B provides detailed descriptions of the design, operation and maintenance, training, contingency planning, closure, and other relevant information concerning the TSD Unit.

The Part B is evaluated by the regulating agencies for completeness and technical adequacy. The latter includes plausibility, general detail of plans and procedures, and protection of human health and the environment. For any item deemed incomplete or technically inadequate, Ecology issues a notice of deficiency (NOD) to the applicant. Resolution of NODs and subsequent modification of the Part B permit application is through an informal workshop process that involves the DOE-RL, PHMC, and Ecology.

When satisfied, Ecology prepares a draft permit modification to incorporate the unit into the Hanford Facility RCRA Permit. This draft permit modification is published for public and interagency review. Upon completion of the public review period, significant public comments are factored into the final status permit modification issued by Ecology. Generally, preparation of a unit-specific Part B permit application requires approximately 14 months through the first certification cycle, and the total duration may last approximately 3 to 6 years.

Interim status expansion may be requested from Ecology and the U.S. EPA. Once the revised Part A, form 3 and NOI are submitted, construction can proceed if Ecology and EPA grant interim status expansion under the Hanford Facility Part A Permit Application.

4.1.4 Disposal Strategy

Vitrification was identified by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as the "specified method" for the corrosive and toxic characteristic heavy metals associated with high level mixed waste as promulgated in the Federal Register on June 1, 1990. This provision does not address the treatment of low activity mixed waste by vitrification. The waste stored in the double-shell tank system remains subject to the concentration based treatment standards. Per the current regulations, the vitrified ILAW must be sampled after treatment. To perform Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure on this sample, the sample must be size reduced and tested, demonstrating that the extract concentrations do not exceed the concentration based treatment standards. In addition to the waste numbers identified for the DST System, the vitrified ILAW must also be analyzed for the underlying hazardous

constituents identified in 40 CFR 268. Until the ILAW can meet the treatment standards, it can not be allowed to be disposed of in a Subtitle C (RCRA) landfill. There are several options available for achieving authorization to dispose of the vitrified ILAW. These options are discussed below:

- No action. This option requires the vitrified ILAW to be ground to a powder and subjected to sampling and analysis. If the resulting vitrified ILAW meets the concentration based treatment standards, the vitrified ILAW may be placed in a Subtitle C landfill. The vitrified ILAW cannot be disposed of in a Subtitle D Landfill because the treated waste will still be a listed waste. If the resulting leachate does not meet the concentration based treatment standards, the waste will need to be treated again, or a variance from the applicable treatment standards will have to be pursued.
- Submit a rulemaking petition to gain approval of the vitrification process as the "specified method" for all waste numbers associated with DST System waste. When approved by the EPA, the vitrified ILAW could be disposed directly to a Subtitle C landfill following treatment without testing.
- In addition to gaining approval to dispose of vitrified ILAW in a Subtitle C landfill, a delisting petition could be pursued to allow disposal in a landfill that complies with Subtitle D and/or Atomic Energy Act (AEA) requirements.

Because the process for obtaining these regulatory modifications is lengthy and dependent on actions to be taken by the private contractors, storage capacity must be established while authorization to dispose of the vitrified ILAW is pursued. In order to provide the greatest likelihood of success for storing ILAW on the schedule outlined in the Tri-Party Agreement, TWRS Environmental is proposing to obtain a RCRA permit for storage of ILAW while concurrently working with the EPA and Ecology to obtain any necessary regulatory modifications to support disposal of the ILAW. The process identified follows regulations set forth by EPA. EPA is the primary regulator for these petitions, however Ecology has similar regulations (WAC 173-303-072 & -910) which also must be followed. The following sections discuss potential disposal regulatory modifications that may be elected by the PHMC or imposed by the regulators. The administrative processes are similar but the resultant options differ significantly.

4.1.4.1 Variance from a Treatment Standard

A variance from a treatment standard could be pursued if the resultant waste form does not meet concentration based standards published in the 40 CFR 268. The administrative process to petition the EPA to amend 40 CFR Part 268 to obtain a variance from a treatment standard is contained in 40 CFR 260.20. The administrative process includes: a petition by DOE of EPA to modify or amend 40 CFR 268; EPA evaluation of the petition; EPA publication of its tentative decision in the Federal Register, and issuance of a request for public comment; EPA evaluation of the public comments; and EPA arrival at a final decision. EPA will publish its final decision in the Federal Register.

4.1.4.2 Rulemaking Petition

A rulemaking petition could be pursued to identify vitrification as the specified method for treatment of Hanford Site tank waste. If approved, Hanford Site tank waste once treated per the specified method would not require further testing and could be disposed of to a Subtitle 'C' landfill. The administrative process to petition the EPA and amend 40 CFR Part 268 to obtain approval of the vitrification process as the "specified method" for ILAW is contained in 40 CFR 260.20. The administrative process includes: a petition by DOE of EPA to modify or amend 40 CFR 268; EPA evaluation of the petition; EPA publication of its tentative decision in the Federal Register, and issuance of a request for public comment; EPA evaluation of the public comments; and EPA arrival at a final decision. EPA will publish its final decision in the Federal Register.

4.1.4.3 Delisting Petition

A delisting petition could be pursued to allow disposal in a Subtitle 'D' or AEA (non-hazardous, radioactive) landfill. The administrative process to petition the EPA to amend 40 CFR Part 261 to exclude a waste (that is, delisting) is contained in 40 CFR 260.20 and 40 CFR 260.22. The administrative process includes: a petition by DOE of EPA to modify or amend 40 CFR 261; EPA evaluation of the petition; EPA publication of its tentative decision in the Federal Register, and issuance of a request for public comment; EPA evaluation of the public comments; and EPA arrival at a final decision. EPA publishes its final decision in the Federal Register and, if the petition is approved, will issue a regulatory amendment. Successful petitions to amend 40 CFR 261 can be found in 40 CFR 261, Appendix IX, Table 1.

4.2 SUMMARY OF DATA/INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

Following is a summary of the information required for the RCRA permit documentation under WAC 173-303, "Dangerous Waste Regulations," and the information required for the various petitions under 40 CFR 260.

4.2.1 Notice of Intent and Part A

The following information is required under WAC 173-303-281, -282 and -805 when submitting an NOI for expansion under interim status:

- TSD unit description
- Explanation of expansion
- Siting criteria
- 10-year summary of compliance violations at the Hanford Facility
- Demonstrated need for expansion

- Comparison of proposed expansion to overall Hanford Facility capacity
- A SEPA environmental checklist
- 150-day public review of NOI prior to filing the Part A, form 3
- File a Part A Permit Application, form 3, with Ecology after public review period ends for NOI.

4.2.2 Part B

Following are general requirements for the Part B. These requirements are not considered all inclusive. The information required in the Part B can be found in WAC 173-303-806.

- A general description of the facility
- Chemical, biological, and physical analyses of the dangerous waste and hazardous debris to be handled at the unit. At a minimum, these analyses must contain all the information which must be known to treat, store, or dispose of the wastes properly in accordance with WAC 173-303-600.
- A copy of the waste analysis plan required by WAC 173-303-300(5)
- A description of security procedures and equipment required by WAC 173-303-310, or a justification demonstrating the reasons for requesting a waiver of this requirement
- A copy of the general inspection schedule required by WAC 173-303-320(2), 173-303-630(6), and 173-303-665(4)
- A description of the procedures used to comply with the preparedness and prevention requirements of WAC 173-303-340, or a justification of any request for a waiver(s) from these requirements
- A copy of the contingency plan required by WAC 173-303-350
- A description of the procedures, structures, or equipment used at the facility to:
 - Prevent hazards and contain spills in unloading/loading operations
 - Prevent runoff from dangerous waste handling areas to other areas of the unit or environment, or to prevent flooding
 - Prevent contamination of water supplies
 - Mitigate effects of equipment failure and power outages
 - Prevent undue exposure of personnel to dangerous waste

- Prevent releases to the atmosphere.
- Vehicular traffic pattern, estimated volume, and control
- Seismic risk consideration. The owner or operator must identify the seismic risk zone in which the facility is intended to be located. It must be demonstrated that the facility is designed to resist seismic ground motion and that the design is sufficient to withstand the maximum horizontal acceleration of a design earthquake specified in the demonstration.
- An outline of both the introductory and continuing training programs that prepare persons to operate or maintain the TSD facility in a safe manner as required to demonstrate compliance with WAC 173-303-330. A brief description of how training will be designed to meet actual job tasks in accordance with the requirements in WAC 173-303-330(1)(d).
- A copy of the closure plan required by WAC 173-303-610(3), 173-303-630(10), and 173-303-665(6)
- Closure estimate (without financial assurance)
- A topographic map meeting all applicable requirements in WAC 173-303-806(4)(a)(xviii).

4.2.2.1 Specific Container Requirements

- Address the requirements of WAC 173-303-630 for container management, including the following:
- A description of the containment system to demonstrate compliance with WAC 173-303-630(7). Show at least:
 - Basic design parameters, dimensions, and materials of construction, including allowance for a 25-year, 24-hour storm
 - How the design promotes positive drainage control or how containers are kept from contact with standing liquids in the containment system
 - Capacity of the containment system relative to the volume of the largest container to be stored
 - Provisions for preventing or managing run-on
 - How accumulated liquids can be analyzed and removed to prevent overflow
 - A description of the building or other protective covering for extremely hazardous waste containers.

- For storage areas that store containers holding wastes that do not contain free liquids, a demonstration of compliance with WAC 173-303-630(7)(c), including:
 - Test procedures and results or other documentation or information to show that the wastes do not contain free liquids
 - A description of how the storage area is designed or operated to drain and remove liquids or how containers are kept from contact with standing liquids
- A description of procedures for labeling containers.

4.2.2.2 Specific Landfill Requirements

- Address the requirements of WAC 173-303-665 for landfills, including the following:
 - The design and operating requirements for the landfill
 - A description of the inspection plan to be applied during operation
 - A description of the leachate collection system
 - A response action plan that identifies actions to be taken when the flow rate into the leak detection system exceeds the defined action leakage rate.
 - The control mechanisms in place to address run-on and run-off.

4.2.3 Variance from a Treatment Standard

In order to be successful, the petitioner must provide information required by 40 CFR 268.44(a) or (b) and applicable portions of 40 CFR 260.20. Similarly, WAC 173-303-072 and -910 also must be satisfied.

4.2.4 Rulemaking Petition

In order to be successful, the petitioner must provide information required by 40 CFR 260.20 and WAC 173-303-072 and -910.

4.2.5 Delisting Petition

In order to be successful, the petitioner must provide the following information:

- Demonstrate to the satisfaction of the EPA and Ecology that the ILAW produced by the private vendor does not meet any of the criteria under which the waste was listed as a hazardous or acutely hazardous waste (40 CFR 260.22(a)). The demonstration must be made with respect to the waste mixture as a whole, and must apply to a

specific waste generated at a specific facility and stored in a specific unit (40 CFR 260.22(b)). See also WAC 173-303-072 and -910.

- Conduct analyses not only for those constituents for which the listed waste contained in the mixture was listed, but also for other factors (including additional constituents) that could cause the waste mixture to be a hazardous waste (40 CFR 260.22(b)).
- Provide extensive information regarding the process that generated the waste (40 CFR 260.22(i)).
- Provide extensive information regarding the laboratory and analytical methods used (40 CFR 260.22(i)).

The EPA and Ecology can request any additional information which they may reasonably require in order to evaluate the petition.

The unique data required by the PHMC for the petition are highly dependent on the information that can be obtained from the private contractors, who are required by contract to comply with the land disposal restrictions (40 CFR 268). The analytical data and testing of vitrified ILAW required for this delisting petition appear to be redundant to these requirements. Definitive estimates of scope, schedule, and resources cannot be developed until these redundancies are explored. Significant cost and schedule savings can occur if data developed by the private contractors, used to demonstrate compliance with the land disposal restrictions, can be used for the delisting petition.

4.3 DISCUSSION OF ALTERNATIVES

The alternatives for permitting ILAW storage and disposal are discussed below. These alternatives describe the permit options as related to current or new facility permit applications. The probability of success (High, Medium, Low) will follow each listed alternative. The alternatives discussed are 1) establishing a new TSD Unit, 2) expansion of the Grout Treatment Facility TSD Unit, 3) expansion of the Low-Level Burial Grounds (LLBG) TSD Unit, 4) expansion of the Double-Shell Tank (DST) System TSD Unit, and 5) expansion of the Central Waste Complex (CWC) TSD Unit.

1. **Establishing A New TSD Unit** - Submit an NOI for expansion under interim status (adding a new unit to the Hanford Facility) and submit a new Part A, form 3. This alternative will establish the existing Grout Vaults as a separate interim status TSD unit that is permitted for container storage and landfill disposal. This proposal will require modification of the existing Grout Treatment Facility Part A Permit Application, form 3, to remove reference to the existing vaults. Negotiate with Ecology for a date for finalization of the unit-specific portion of the Part B permit application. Proceed with petitions for regulatory modifications necessary to accommodate ILAW disposal. (High)

Assumptions:

- a) An NOI will be submitted to increase the Hanford Facility container storage and disposal capacity.
 - b) New Part A, form 3, and unit-specific portion of the Part B permit applications will be written and submitted.
 - c) A modification of the Grout Treatment Facility Part A, form 3, will be submitted to remove the surface impoundment process code and storage capacities currently identified for the existing grout vaults. Closure activities could be scheduled to close out the remaining Grout Treatment Facility if appropriate.
 - d) The Hanford Facility RCRA permit modification schedule will be modified to include the new TSD permitting schedule. DOE/RL-91-28, *Hanford Facility Dangerous Waste Permit Application, General Information* (DOE-RL 1991), will also require modification.
2. Expansion of the Grout Treatment Facility - Submit an NOI for expansion under interim status and submit a revised Grout Treatment Facility Part A Permit Application, form 3, to change the existing vaults to container storage and landfill disposal. This alternative will establish the existing Grout Vaults as an interim status TSD unit that is permitted for container storage and landfill disposal. Negotiate with Ecology for a date for finalization of the unit-specific Part B permit application. Proceed with petitions for regulatory modifications necessary to accommodate ILAW disposal. (Medium)

Assumptions:

- a) The Grout Treatment Facility Part A, form 3, will be modified by changing the surface impoundment storage and landfill capacity/process to container storage and landfill disposal capacity/process. Dangerous waste numbers may be affected.
- b) An NOI will be submitted to change the process code from a surface impoundment to a container storage area. Associated container storage and landfill disposal capacities will be established for the vaults.
- c) The Part B permit application will be revised to reflect the new process/operation at the vaults.
- d) The Hanford Facility RCRA permit will be modified to reflect the change in mission for the vaults. DOE/RL-91-28, *Hanford Facility Dangerous Waste Permit Application, General Information* (DOE-RL 1991), will also require modification.

3. **Expansion of the LLBG** - Submit an NOI for expansion under interim status and submit a revised LLBG Part A Permit Application, form 3, to add the existing vaults as additional container storage and landfill disposal capacity. This alternative will establish the existing Grout Vaults as part of an interim status TSD unit that is permitted for container storage and landfill disposal (the LLBG will become incorporated into the Hanford Facility RCRA permit in 1997, at which point a permit modification will be required for this change). Proceed with petitions for regulatory modifications necessary to accommodate ILAW disposal. (Low)

Assumptions:

- a) The LLBG Part A, form 3, will be modified to include container storage and landfill disposal at the vaults as an additional waste management process for the LLBG system. Dangerous waste numbers may be affected.
 - b) The Grout Treatment Facility Part A, form 3, will require revision to remove the existing vaults.
 - c) An NOI will be submitted to expand the LLBG to include container storage and landfill disposal at the Grout vaults. Associated container storage and disposal capacities will be established for the vaults.
 - d) The Part B permit application will be revised to reflect the new process/operation at the vaults.
 - e) The Hanford Facility RCRA permit will be modified to reflect the change in mission for the vaults. DOE/RL-91-28, *Hanford Facility Dangerous Waste Permit Application, General Information* (DOE-RL 1991), will also require modification.
4. **Expansion of the DST System** - Submit an NOI for expansion under interim status and submit a revised DST System Part A Permit Application, form 3, to add the existing vaults as additional container storage and landfill disposal capacity. This alternative will establish the existing Grout Vaults as part of an interim status TSD unit that is permitted for container storage and landfill disposal (the DST System will become incorporated into the Hanford Facility RCRA permit in 1999, at which point a permit modification will be required). Proceed with petitions for regulatory modifications necessary to accommodate ILAW disposal. (Low)

Assumptions:

- a) The DST Part A, form 3, will be modified to include container storage and landfill disposal at the existing vaults as an additional waste management process for the DST System. Dangerous waste numbers may be affected.

- b) The Grout Treatment Facility Part A, form 3, will require revision to remove the existing vaults currently permitted within the Grout Treatment Facility.
 - c) An NOI will be submitted to expand the DST system to include container storage and landfill disposal at the existing Grout vaults. Associated container storage and landfill disposal capacities will be established for the vaults.
 - d) The Part B permit application will be revised to reflect the new process/operation at the vaults.
 - e) The Hanford Facility RCRA permit will be modified to reflect the change in mission for the vaults. DOE/RL-91-28, *Hanford Facility Dangerous Waste Permit Application, General Information* (DOE-RL 1991), will also require modification.
5. Expansion of the CWC - Submit an NOI for expansion under interim status and submit a revised CWC Part A Permit Application, form 3, to add the existing vaults as additional container storage and landfill disposal capacity. This alternative will establish the existing Grout Vaults as part of an interim status TSD unit that is permitted for container storage and landfill disposal (the CWC will become incorporated into the Hanford Facility RCRA permit in 1998, at which point a permit modification will be required for this change). Proceed with petitions for regulatory modifications necessary to accommodate ILAW disposal. (Low)

Assumptions:

- a) The CWC Part A, form 3, will be modified to include container storage and landfill disposal at the vaults as an additional waste management process for CWC. Dangerous waste numbers may be affected.
- b) The Grout Treatment Facility Part A, form 3, will require revision to remove the existing vaults currently permitted within the Grout Treatment Facility.
- c) An NOI will be submitted to expand CWC to include container storage and landfill disposal at the Grout vaults. Associated container storage and landfill disposal capacities will be established for the vaults.
- d) The Part B permit application will be revised to reflect the new process/operation at the vaults.
- e) The Hanford Facility RCRA permit will be modified to reflect the change in mission for the vaults. DOE/RL-91-28, *Hanford Facility Dangerous Waste Permit Application, General Information* (DOE-RL 1991), will also require modification.

4.4 RECOMMENDED PERMITTING STRATEGY

The desired path is to establish the existing Grout vaults as a separate interim status container storage and landfill disposal unit (alternative #1). This will allow for the indefinite storage of vitrified ILAW until a regulatory pathway is established for disposal of the vitrified waste matrix. Negotiations could then be conducted with Ecology to define the date for finalization of the associated Part B. It needs to be understood that Ecology could require a final status permit for the vaults prior to initiation of efforts required to ready the vaults for container management. This issue is subject to negotiation with Ecology and will most likely be raised during the NOI/Part A revision process.

Concurrent with this effort, proceed with a rulemaking petition for establishment of vitrification of Hanford Facility DST System mixed waste as the "specified technology." This will allow the future disposal of the ILAW without any sampling being required to confirm compliance with treatment standards. A delisting petition could also be pursued that may allow the ILAW to exit RCRA, allowing disposal in a Subtitle D or AEA landfill.

4.5 PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE

(See Appendix A).

5.0 THE CLEAN AIR ACT

The *Federal Clean Air Act of 1970* (42 USC 7401 et seq.) was enacted in 1970, amended in 1977, and overhauled and expanded in 1990.

5.1 INTRODUCTION

Immobilized low activity waste is to be produced by privately owned low-activity waste immobilization facilities as part of the privatization effort. Low Level Waste Immobilization Facility as part of the privatization effort to provide safe processing of Hanford Tank wastes. The initially produced ILAW is to be stored in the interior of four former grout vaults, buildings 218-E-16-102, -103, -104, and -105, until final onsite disposal can be accomplished. A detailed review of the facility design, the storage process, the physical form of the emission sources, and the regulatory requirements concluded that interim storage of the ILAW in these grout vaults does not constitute a source of regulated emissions to the atmosphere. The ILAW products will be sealed in metal containers. The closure system will be leak tight as defined by ANSI Standard N14.5. Each container is to be decontaminated and surveyed before being transferred to the grout vaults for interim storage. Removable surface contamination will not exceed the limits described in 49 CFR 173.443(a).

Because these containment methods are used, no requirement exists for permitting the Grout Vaults under federal/state regulations.

5.2 SUMMARY OF DATA/INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

This conclusion was based on a detailed review of the project design criteria and State and federal regulatory requirements.

5.3 DISCUSSION OF ALTERNATIVES

No alternatives are needed.

5.4 RECOMMENDED PERMITTING STRATEGY

Confirmation from the Washington State Departments of Health and Ecology that the hermetically sealed canisters/containers do not constitute a source of regulated emissions will be obtained from each State agency in writing.

5.5 PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE

(See Appendix A)

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6.0 TRANSPORTATION

The transportation of radioactive materials within Hanford Site boundaries in areas that are not accessible to the public is not currently subject to U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) regulation. Transportation and packaging operations are authorized and controlled by contractor-approved procedures and safety evaluations.

6.1 INTRODUCTION

The mechanism by which the transportation and packaging of radioactive materials is approved under the current PHMC program involves the application of requirements similar to those imposed by DOT and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) for the transportation of these materials in the public domain. The design of the packaging is a primary element in identifying the applicable requirements and the extent to which the shipments of ILAW to the storage site must be controlled. Packaging systems which afford the greatest degree of protection for the contents require the lowest degree of operational control.

In order that the applicable requirements and approvals may be fully identified, the packaging design must be fully defined. The maximum intended payload must also be defined. Other parameters that should be established before the necessary approvals can be obtained include the shipment route and frequency.

6.2 SUMMARY OF DATA/INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

The primary information required in order to proceed with authorization of the packaging system and the shipment campaign is as follows:

- Detailed design of the packaging system
- Description of the transportation system
- Detailed description of the bounding payload, including radioisotopic content, chemical constituents, physical properties, thermal properties, and mechanical properties
- Transport mode (highway or rail) and route
- Number and frequency of shipments.

6.3 DISCUSSION OF ALTERNATIVES

The basic alternatives for approval of the transportation aspects of the HLW Interim Storage Project are limited. One approach is to fully comply with DOT and NRC regulations that govern the transportation of Type B quantities of radioactive material. The remaining alternative is to design and operate a packaging and transportation system under the PHMC onsite Transportation

Safety Program as defined in WHC-CM-2-14, *Hazardous Material Packaging and Shipping*.

The first alternative, full regulatory compliance for offsite shipping, requires the use of a certified packaging system. Unless a currently certified system is identified and is usable for this campaign, the selection of this alternative typically requires an effort of two to five years to obtain certification of the packaging design, along with significant cost to execute the process. Another difficulty that would be encountered if this alternative were selected is the necessity to fully characterize the material being shipped, a process that may not be completed until the production of the payload is well underway. The advantages of this approach include the possession of a well-established pedigree from an independent regulatory agency which is obtained through a defined process. This approach is clearly conservative from a safety perspective.

The second alternative, approval under the onsite transportation safety program, is more flexible and can take credit for safety aspects of the operation that do not contribute to the evaluations performed in support of the first alternative. The flexibility of this alternative lies in the safety criteria, which are based on potential dose consequences corresponding to accident frequencies. The advantages of this alternative include the use of less expensive packaging systems that are less cumbersome to handle. The onsite packaging and transportation procedures can be developed to apply as low as reasonably achievable (ALARA) principles in a manner not permitted by the first alternative. A disadvantage of this approach is that the packaging system would not be approved for shipment offsite to a final storage location.

6.4 RECOMMENDED APPROVAL STRATEGY

The recommended approval strategy for the packaging and transportation system is to conduct the design and safety evaluations within the onsite transportation safety program as described in WHC-CM-2-14, taking full advantage of the flexibility and cost efficiency provided by this approach. The packaging design and safety evaluations should be conducted in parallel.

6.5 PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE

For the recommended alternative, a preliminary cost estimate of \$250,000 has been developed for the activities associated with performing the safety evaluations and preparing an onsite Safety Analysis Report for Packaging (SARP). It is assumed that the actual packaging design effort will be funded separately from this process. The safety evaluations depend heavily on the payload definition, so if the bounding payload changes after the analysis is initiated, then the cost may be higher.

The other alternative considered, certified packaging, has a corresponding estimated cost of \$2,000,000. (See Appendix A.)

7.0 RADIATION PROTECTION STANDARDS/MONITORING

7.1 INTRODUCTION

DOE Order 5400.1, *General Environmental Protection Program*, and DOE Order 5400.5, *Radiation Protection of the Public and the Environment*, requires that monitoring be performed to determine the impact on the environment from activities that involve potential emission of radionuclides.

7.2 SUMMARY OF DATA OF INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

Both DOE orders require that baseline data be obtained prior to the start of a project, and that periodic monitoring be performed to determine if the environment is being affected. The baseline data required include:

- Background radiation levels at the project site and in surrounding areas, including on-site and off-site.
- Radionuclides present in flora, fauna, soil, wildlife, water, vadoze and ground water, agriculture products and animals, and in some circumstances, members of the public.

7.3 DISCUSSION OF ALTERNATIVES

The three alternatives available for this project are: 1) gather the required information specifically for this project; 2) use information gathered by the grout project and routine monitoring of the Hanford Site; and 3) use routine monitoring data for the Hanford Site supplemented by project-specific data related to the location of the grout vaults.

Alternative 1, gathering the data specifically for this project would duplicate a considerable amount of monitoring work that is routinely performed regarding the Hanford Site and facilities. Also, for much of the preferred 2-year baseline period the privatization project would be gathering similar data in an area that surrounds the grout vaults. Alternative 1 is judged to be the most expensive alternative.

Alternative 2, makes use of existing data for the baseline and limits this project to ongoing monitoring. The ongoing monitoring can be accomplished by use of site programs and the specific monitoring established for the privatization project. It is expected that privatization monitoring data will be available, either as public records or as part of the privatization contract.

Alternative 3, makes use of existing data, from both the Site and privatization project, supplemented by data specific to storage of Immobilized Low Activity Waste.

7.4 RECOMMENDED STRATEGY

Eliminate alternative 1, gather baseline [characterization] data in conjunction with the privatization project, and make a decision later between alternative 2 and 3 for pre-operational, operational, and post operational

monitoring. It is further recommended that the baseline data be gathered by being an active participant in developing [DRAFT] HNF-SD-TWR-EV-001, *TWRS Phase I Privatization Site Environmental Baseline and Characterization Plan*. This approach also enables DOE to determine what monitoring is needed to identify that effluents, particularly any that enter the soil, come from a particular facility.

The baseline data collection can best be accomplished by funding an appropriate share of the cultural and biological walk through of the privatization site, development of a project specific data quality objective, and development of privatization characterization plan.

7.5 PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE

Culture and Ecological baseline - \$10,000 funding of work to be performed by site infrastructure project. Preliminary work Feb-April 1998, with final Feb-April 1999. Schedule controlled by nesting season.

Data Quality Objective - \$40,000 to prepare a data quality objective document. Recommend that work be done first quarter of FY 98 as it will help define what environmental monitoring is storage related and what is disposal related. Must be completed before end of CY 98 to support 2-year baseline data collection.

- \$10,000 to revise the existing data quality objective to address pre-operational, operational, and post-operational monitoring. FY 2000 first quarter.

Data Collection - \$40,000 funding of work to characterize the TWRS Phase I demonstration site during FY 99 and FY 2000. (See Appendix A.)

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APPENDIX A

**LOW-LEVEL WASTE INTERIM STORAGE
PERMITTING PLAN COST AND SCHEDULE**

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Activity Description			Early Start	Early Finish	Orig Dur
ILAW Air Permit					
Prepare DOE-RL/MDCH and DOE-RL/MDCH Letter			12JUN97	16JUN97	3
Obtain FCH Approval			17JUN97	22JUN97	47
Obtain DOE-RL Approval			25JUN97	23SEP97	21
Obtain WDOE/MDCH Approval			24SEP97	31DEC97	67
ILAW SEP/NEPA					
Prepare Briefing (SEP/NEPA)			17MAR98	30MAR98	10
Request Meeting with Ecology (SEP/NEPA)			17MAR98	30MAR98	10
Dry Run with DOE-RL (SEP/NEPA)			31MAR98	31MAR98	1
Reverse Briefing (SEP/NEPA)			07APR98	06APR98	4
Brief Ecology (SEP/NEPA)			07APR98	08APR98	2
LMHC Prepare Letter (NEPA)			14APR98	16APR98	3
LMHC Sign Letter (NEPA)			17APR98	17APR98	1
LMHC Transmit Letter to FCH (NEPA)			20APR98	20APR98	1
ILAW Notice of Intent (NOI)					
Prepare NOI for Review			01OCT97	14NOV97	33
DOE-RL/COMADES Review			17NOV97	05DEC97	13
Incorporate Comments			08DEC97	20DEC97	13
PHMC Approval			29DEC97	09JAN98	9
Transmit to DOE-RL			09JAN98	09JAN98	0
DOE-RL Approval			12JAN98	02FEB98	10
Submit NOI to Ecology			02FEB98	03FEB98	1
Review Period			04FEB98	02JUL98	109
Request for Legal Notice Announcement			04FEB98	04FEB98	1
Legal Notice Publication Period			04FEB98	20FEB98	9
Prepare NOI for Review					
DOE-RL/Contractor Review					
Incorporate Comments					
PHMC Approval					
Transmit to DOE-RL					
DOE-RL Approval					
Submit NOI to Ecology					
Review Period					
Request for Legal Notice Announcement					
Legal Notice Publication Period					

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Activity Description	Early Start 10/01/00	Early Finish 10/01/01	Orig Dur 100	FY97	FY98	FY99	FY00	FY01	FY02	FY03	FY04
Workshops											
Part B Permit Application; Rev. 1											
Incorporate Workshop/Revise Tox (Revision 1)	10/01/00	10/01/01	41								
Author Technical Review	11/01/00	2/01/01	10								
Incorp Author Comments/Comp Draft Permit App	2/01/01	06/01/01	8								
PHMC Formal Review	07/01/01	07/01/01	19								
Incorp PHMC Comments/Complete Draft Permit App	08/01/01	20/01/01	15								
DOE-RL Formal Review	27/01/01	23/01/01	20								
Incorporate DOE-RL Comments/Comp Draft Permit	24/01/01	14/01/01	15								
PHMC Part B Permit Application Certification	17/01/01	28/01/01	10								
Transmit Certified Part B Permit App to DOE-RL		28/01/01	0								
DOE-RL Certification	01/02/01	30/01/01	22								
Sub Permit Application Modification to Ecology		30/01/01	0								
12-20-57 Submit LAW Part B Permit App to Ecology			0								
LAW Delisting Petition											
Prem Sub/Cost Ben Anly for Delisting LAW		10/01/01	105								
Scoping with EPA/Ecology - Delisting Content	10/01/01	13/01/01	144								
PHMC Req Data from PCPC Generates Data	14/01/01	11/01/01	40								
PHMC Receives Input from Private Contractors	13/01/01	14/01/01	1								
Prepare Delisting Petition	13/01/01	24/01/01	114								
PHMC Formal Review	25/01/01	26/01/01	42								
Incorporate PHMC Comments	27/01/01	24/01/01	21								
DOE-RL Formal Review	25/01/01	05/01/01	29								
Incorporate DOE-RL Comments	06/01/01	03/01/01	21								
PHMC Approval	03/01/01	23/01/01	14								
DOE-RL Approval	24/01/01	04/01/01	35								

Activity Description	Early Start	Early Finish	Orig Dur	FY97	FY98	FY99	FY00	FY01	FY02	FY03	FY04
Submit Exclusion to EPA	05JAN00	05JAN00	1				Submit Exclusion to EPA				
EPA Processes Petition	06JAN00	23FEB01	286				EPA Processes Petition				
ILAW Rulemaking Petition											
PHMC Receives Input from Private Vendors	08SEP97		0	PHMC Receives Input from Private Vendors							
Develop Detailed Strategy with Regulators	08SEP97	09SEP98	253	Develop Detailed Strategy with Regulators							
Perform Testing/Collect Data	10SEP98	08SEP99	250		Perform Testing/Collect Data						
Prepare Petition	09SEP99	06JAN00	81				Prepare Petition				
PHMC Formal Review	07JAN00	04FEB00	21				PHMC Formal Review				
Incorporate PHMC Comments	07FEB00	25FEB00	14				Incorporate PHMC Comments				
DOE-RL Formal Review	28FEB00	27MAR00	21				DOE-RL Formal Review				
Incorporate DOE-RL Comments	28MAR00	17APR00	15				Incorporate DOE-RL Comments				
PHMC Approval	18APR00	01MAY00	10				PHMC Approval				
DOE-RL Approval	02MAY00	31MAY00	21				DOE-RL Approval				
Submit Exclusion to EPA	01JUN00	01JUN00	1				Submit Exclusion to EPA				
EPA Processes Deisting Exclusion	02JUN00	31MAY02	501				EPA Processes Deisting Exclusion				
Environmental Monitoring											
Culture and Ecological Baseline	02FEB98	28FEB99	269	Culture and Ecological Baseline							
Data Quality Objective	01OCT97	09OCT98	258	Data Quality Objective							
Data Collection	12OCT98	20OCT99	258		Data Collection						
Transportation and Packaging											
SAR for Packaging-Trans Cask (FY 1998)	01OCT98	30SEP99	251		SAR for Packaging-Trans Cask (FY 1998)						
SAR for Packaging-Trans Cask (FY 1999)	01OCT99	31MAR00	125			SAR for Packaging-Trans Cask (FY 1999)					

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ILAW Air Permit					
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Prepare DOE-RL/WDOE and DOE-RL/WDOH Letter	12JUN97	16JUN97	70311010 70311000	16.00 8.00	997.28 229.36 ----- 1226.64
Obtain FDH Approval	17JUN97	22AUG97	70311010	25.00	1558.25 ----- 1558.25
Obtain DOE-RL Approval	25AUG97	23SEP97	70311010	8.00	498.64 ----- 498.64
Obtain WDOE/WDOH Approval	24SEP97	31DEC97	70311010	8.00	521.52 ----- 521.52 ----- 3805.05
ILAW SEPA/NEPA					
ILAW SEPA/NEPA					
Prepare Briefing (SEPA)	17MAR98	30MAR98	70311010	30.00	1962.60 ----- 1962.60
Request Meeting with Ecology (SEPA)	17MAR98	30MAR98			-----
Dry Run with DOE-RL (SEPA)	31MAR98	31MAR98	70311010	10.00	654.20 ----- 654.20
Revise Briefing (SEPA)	01APR98	06APR98	70311010	8.00	523.36 ----- 523.36
Brief Ecology (SEPA)	07APR98	08APR98	70311010	12.00	785.04 ----- 785.04
LMHC Prepare Letter (NEPA)	14APR98	16APR98	70311010	12.00	785.04 ----- 785.04
LMHC Sign Letter (NEPA)	17APR98	17APR98	70311010	7.19	470.37 ----- 470.37
LMHC Transmit Letter to FDH (NEPA)	20APR98	20APR98	70311010	0.80	52.34 ----- 52.34 ----- 5232.95
ILAW Notice of Intent (NOI)					
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Prepare NOI for Review	01OCT97	14NOV97	04E00940 07E00970 70311010	1.75 0.34 90.00	2042.25 396.78 5887.80 ----- 8326.83
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ILAW Notice of Intent (NOI)					
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Incorporate Comments	08DEC97	26DEC97	04E00940 70311010 07E00970	0.57 80.00 0.34	665.19 5233.60 396.78
					6295.57
PHMC Approval	29DEC97	09JAN98	70311010	31.00	2028.02
					2028.02
Transmit to DOE-RL		09JAN98			
DOE-RL Approval	12JAN98	02FEB98	70311010	10.00	654.20
					654.20
Submit NOI to Ecology	03FEB98	03FEB98	70311010	2.00	130.84
					130.84
Review Period	04FEB98	02JUL98			
Request for Legal Notice Announcement	04FEB98	04FEB98	70311010	4.00	261.68
					261.68
Legal Notice Publication Period	09FEB98	20FEB98			
					18351.34
Part A Permit Application					
Part A Permit Application					
Prepare Part A Form 3	11MAR98	03APR98	70311010 07E00970	30.00 0.34	1962.60 396.78
					2359.38
PHMC Formal Review	06APR98	16APR98	70311010	10.00	654.20
					654.20
Incorporate PHMC Comments	17APR98	24APR98	70311010	20.00	1308.40
					1308.40
DOE-RL Formal Review	27APR98	08MAY98	70311010	10.00	654.20
					654.20
Incorporate DOE-RL Comments	11MAY98	20MAY98	70311010 07E00970 70311140 703114C0	20.00 0.34 0.01 0.00	1308.40 396.78 11.67 0.00
					1716.85
PHMC Part A Certification	21MAY98	17JUN98	70311010	11.00	719.62
					719.62
Transmit Certified Part A to DOE-RL		17JUN98			
DOE-RL Certification	18JUN98	02JUL98	70311010	14.00	915.88

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Part A Permit Application					
Part A Permit Application					915.88
Submit Part A Permit Application		02JUL98			
Ecology Review and Approval	07JUL98	30SEP98	70311010	2.00	130.84
					130.84
					8459.37
Part B Permit Application, Rev. 0					
Part B Permit Application, Rev. 0					
Prepare Draft Text (Part B, Revision 0)	01JUL98	17FEB99	70311010 07E00970	1800.00 0.86	119415.67 1017.73
					120433.40
PHMC Receives Input from Private Vendors	18FEB99	18FEB99	70311010	4.00	267.84
					267.84
Revise Draft Text	19FEB99	16JUN99	70311010 07E00970	160.00 0.41	10713.60 489.70
					11203.30
Author Technical Review	17JUN99	30JUN99	70311010	40.00	2678.40
					2678.40
Incorp Author Comments/Complete Draft Permit	01JUL99	19JUL99	70311010	40.00	2678.40
					2678.40
PHMC Formal Review	20JUL99	16AUG99	70311010 70311140 703114C0 73400010 73000010 8C471010	40.00 0.41 0.02 19.00 19.00 38.00	2678.40 489.70 23.89 1272.24 1245.64 0.00
					5709.87
Incorp PHMC Comments/Complete Draft Permit	17AUG99	15SEP99	70311010	60.00	4017.60
					4017.60
DOE-RL Formal Review	16SEP99	13OCT99	70311010 70311140 703114C0	16.00 0.40 0.02	1084.46 483.62 24.18
					1592.26
Incorp DOE-RL Comments/Complete Draft Permit	14OCT99	12NOV99	70311010 07E00970	60.00 0.40	4126.80 490.79
					4617.59
PHMC Part B Permit Application Certification	15NOV99	16DEC99	70311010	20.00	1375.60
					1375.60
Transmit Certified Permit B Permit App to DOE-RL		16DEC99			
DOE-RL Certification	17DEC99	17JAN00	70311010	24.00	1650.72

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Part B Permit Application, Rev. 0					
Part B Permit Application, Rev. 0					1650.72
Submit Part B Permit Application to Ecology		17JAN00			
Ecology Review	18JAN00	12MAY00	70311010	24.00	1650.72
					1650.72
Workshops	15MAY00	14MAR01	70311010 73000010 73400010 8C471010	900.00 19.00 19.00 19.00	62788.85 1281.65 1325.54 0.00
					65396.04
					223271.74
Part B Permit Application, Rev. 1					
Part B Permit Application, Rev. 1					
Incorporate Workshops/Revise Text (Revision 1)	15MAR01	10MAY01	70311010 07E00970	160.00 0.79	11297.60 995.03
					12292.63
Author Technical Review	11MAY01	24MAY01	70311010	24.00	1694.64
					1694.64
Incorp Author Comments/Comp Draft Permit App	25MAY01	06JUN01	70311010	24.00	1694.64
					1694.64
PHMC Formal Review	07JUN01	03JUL01	70311010 70311140 703114C0	16.00 0.40 0.02	1129.76 503.81 25.19
					1658.76
Incorp PHMC Comments/Complete Draft Permit App	06JUL01	26JUL01	70311010	40.00	2824.40
					2824.40
DOE-RL Formal Review	27JUL01	23AUG01	70311010 70311140 703114C0	16.00 0.40 0.02	1129.76 503.81 25.19
					1658.76
Incorporate DOE-RL Comments/Comp Draft Permit	24AUG01	14SEP01	70311010 07E00970	40.00 0.40	2824.40 503.81
					3328.21
PHMC Part B Permit Application Certification	17SEP01	28SEP01	70311010	28.00	1977.08
					1977.08
Transmit Certified Part B Permit App to DOE-RL		28SEP01			
DOE-RL Certification	01OCT01	30OCT01	70311010	24.00	1734.00
					1734.00
Sub Permit Application Modification to Ecology		30OCT01			

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Part B Permit Application, Rev. 1					
Part B Permit Application, Rev. 1					
M-20-57 Submit ILAW Part B Permit App to Ecology		30OCT01			28863.12
ILAW Delisting Petition					
ILAW Delisting Petition					
Prelim Strat/Cost Ben Analy for Delisting ILAW	16JUL97	12DEC97	70311010	755.00	48192.30
					48192.30
Scoping with EPA/Ecology - Delisting Content	15DEC97	13JUL98	70311010	1057.00	69148.94
					69148.94
PHMC Req Data from PC/PC Generates Data	14JUL98	11SEP98	70311010	302.00	19756.84
					19756.84
PHMC Receives Input from Private Contractors	14SEP98	14SEP98	70311010	453.00	29635.26
					29635.26
Prepare Delisting Petition	15SEP98	24MAY99	70311010	1812.00	121139.07
			73400010	34.00	2273.03
			73000010	34.00	2228.71
			80471010	68.00	0.00
					125640.81
PHMC Formal Review	25MAY99	26JUL99	70311010	453.00	30332.88
					30332.88
Incorporate PHMC Comments	27JUL99	24AUG99	70311010	151.00	10110.96
					10110.96
DOE-RL Formal Review	25AUG99	05OCT99			
Incorporate DOE-RL Comments	06OCT99	03NOV99	70311010	151.00	10385.78
					10385.78
PHMC Approval	04NOV99	23NOV99	70311010	75.00	5158.50
					5158.50
DOE-RL Approval	24NOV99	04JAN00	70311010	75.00	5158.50
					5158.50
Submit Exclusion to EPA	05JAN00	05JAN00			
EPA Processes Petition	06JAN00	23FEB01	70311010	604.00	41925.73
					41925.73
					395446.50

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ILAW Rulemaking Petition					
ILAW Rulemaking Petition					
PHMC Receives Input from Private Vendors	08SEP97				
Develop Detailed Strategy with Regulators	08SEP97	09SEP98	70311010	1200.00	78254.85
					78254.85
Perform Testing/Collect Data	10SEP98	08SEP99	70311010	1200.00	80241.12
					80241.12
Prepare Petition	09SEP99	06JAN00	70311010	960.00	65683.67
					65683.67
PHMC Formal Review	07JAN00	04FEB00	70311010	80.00	5502.40
					5502.40
Incorporate PHMC Comments	07FEB00	25FEB00	70311010	120.00	8253.60
					8253.60
DOE-RL Formal Review	28FEB00	27MAR00	70311010	40.00	2751.20
					2751.20
Incorporate DOE-RL Comments	28MAR00	17APR00	70311010	80.00	5502.40
					5502.40
PHMC Approval	18APR00	01MAY00	70311010	40.00	2751.20
					2751.20
DOE/RL Approval	02MAY00	31MAY00	70311010	40.00	2751.20
					2751.20
Submit Exclusion to EPA	01JUN00	01JUN00	70311010	8.00	550.24
					550.24
EPA Processes Delisting Exclusion	02JUN00	31MAY02			
					252241.88
Environmental Monitoring					
Environmental Monitoring					
Culture and Ecological Baseline	02FEB98	26FEB99	70311010	151.00	9965.73
					9965.73
Data Quality Objective	01OCT97	09OCT98	70311010	612.00	40062.61
					40062.61
Data Collection	12OCT98	20OCT99	70311010	612.00	41039.96
					41039.96
					91068.30

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Transportation and Packaging					
Transportation and Packaging					
SAR for Packaging-Trans Cask (FY 1998)	01OCT98	30SEP99	03E00930	62.56	74721.66
					74721.66
SAR for Packaging-Trans Cask (FY 1999)	01OCT99	31MAR00	03E00930	142.61	174978.19
					174978.19
					249699.85
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					1276440.10

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APPENDIX B

**SCOPE OF WORK FOR
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Explanation of Environmental Requirements Checklists and Narrative:

The following table identifies environmental permits, approvals, and/or requirements applicable to the project. Any "Yes" or "To be determined" answer in the applicability column will be further described in the narrative that follows the table. Some "No" answers may require special explanation and will have narratives associated with them. If this is the case, the words "See Narrative" will be stated in the applicability column. 2A contact is identified at the end of each evaluation to answer questions and/or provide additional information regarding the specific regulation in question.

Description of Project Being Evaluated:

The Immobilized Low-Activity Waste Interim Storage Facility Project, project W-465, includes the design and construction of a facility to provide storage space for immobilized low-activity waste (ILAW) packages, shipping and receiving of ILAW packages in transport containers on a transport vehicle, loading and unloading of ILAW packages from the transport container, package handling for placement and retrieval of ILAW within the storage area, and monitoring of the stored ILAW packages.

The overall ILAW Storage function will be responsible for transporting containers of ILAW packages from the low-level waste immobilization facility (from the Private Contractors), placing the waste packages in their designated storage locations, monitoring the packages for storage containment integrity, and if necessary eventually retrieving the packages from storage to prepare them for onsite disposal.

Project W-465 will design and furnish shipping containers for the transport of ILAW to the ILAW interim storage facility, design upgrades to the existing grout vaults necessary to accommodate a potential 50 year storage period of ILAW. The shipping containers filled with ILAW will be unloaded at the interim storage facility. The loaded shipping containers will be collected and transported to the disposal area or the interim storage area as required.

ABBREVIATIONS and ACRONYMS

ADM	Action Description Memorandum
ALARA	As Low As Reasonably Achievable
AOP	Air Operating Permit
ARARS	Applicable or Relevant and Appropriate Requirements
BACT	Best Available Control Technology
BARCT	Best Available Radionuclide Control Technology
BCCAA	Benton County Clean Air Authority
BFDHD	Benton-Franklin District Health Department
CAA	Clean Air Act
CDR	Conceptual Design Report
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act
CFC	Chlorofluorocarbons
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CRR	Cultural Resource Review
CX	Categorical Exclusion
DOE-HQ	U.S. Department of Energy-Headquarters
DOH	State of Washington Department of Health
DST	double-shell tank
EA	Environmental Assessment
Ecology	State of Washington Department of Ecology
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
EIS/ODIS	Effluent Information System/Onsite Discharge Information System
EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
FR	Federal Register
FONSI	Finding of No Significant Impact
gpd	gallons per day
HCRL	Hanford Cultural Resource Laboratory
HLAN	Hanford Local Area Network
HPA	Hydraulic Projects Approval
IB	Information Bulletin
IEU	Insignificant emission units
LDUA	light duty utility arm
MEI	Maximum Exposed Individual
mrem	millirem
MTF	Memorandum-To-File
MWC	Municipal Waste Combustor
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
NESHAPS	National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants
NOC	Notice of Construction
NOI	Notice of Intent
NPDES	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
NSR	New Source Review
POC	Point of Contact
PL	Public Law
PNL	Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
PSD	Prevention of Significant Deterioration
RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
RL	U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office
SEPA	State Environmental Policy Act
SST	single-shell tank
SWDP	State Waste Discharge Permit
TAPS	Toxic Air Pollutants
T-BACT	Best Available Control Technology for Toxics
TEDE	Total Effective Dose Equivalent
T-RACT	Reasonably Available Control Technology for Toxics
Tri-Party Agreement	Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order
TSD	Treatment, Storage, and/or Disposal
UIC	Underground Injection Control
USACE	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
UST	Underground Storage Tanks
WAC	Washington Administrative Code
WHC	Westinghouse Hanford Company

Note: This applies to the complete POC checklist and may not apply in full to individual checklists.

SUMMARY CHECKLIST OF POTENTIAL PERMITS/APPROVALS/REQUIREMENTS

ENVIRONMENT-MEDIA	PERMIT, APPROVAL, or REQUIREMENT	REGULATION(S)	REGULATORY AGENCY	RESTRICTION	APP. (Y or N)
NEPA	NEPA Documentation	10 CFR 1021	DOE	Title II Design (Projects); Procurement	Y
SEPA	SEPA	WAC 197-11	State Agency	License; Permit	Y
CERCLA	ARARs	40 CFR 300 to 400	EPA	Construction	N
Nonrad. Air Emissions	New Source Review/NOC; Source Registration ¶ ¶	WAC 173-400-040; WAC 173-400-110;	Ecology;	Construction	N (see Narrative)
	PSD	WAC 173-400-141	Ecology;	Construction	N (see narrative)
	TAPs	WAC 173-460-030; -040	Ecology	Construction	N (see narrative)
	Dangerous and/or Hazardous waste air emissions	WAC 173-303 -120(4)(e), -400(3), -690, and -691, 40CFR 264/265 Subpart CC	Ecology and EPA	Operations	N (see narrative)
Radioactive Air Emissions	NESHAPs	40 CFR 61, Subpart H	EPA	Construction	N (see narrative)
	Radiation Protection - Air Emissions	WAC 246-247-060	DOH	Construction; Operation	N (see narrative)
All Air Emissions	Air Operating Permit	WAC 173-401	Ecology; DOH; EPA	Operation	See Narrative
Asbestos	NOI	BCCAA Reg. 1, Article 8; 40 CFR 61, Subpart M	BCCAA	Before Working with Asbestos	N

ENVIRONMENT-MEDIA	PERMIT, APPROVAL, or REQUIREMENT	REGULATION(S)	REGULATORY AGENCY	RESTRICTION	APP. (Y or N)
Outdoor or Unconfined Burning	Burn Permit	WAC 173-425; BCCAA Reg. 1, Article 5	Hanford Fire Department BCCAA	Open Burning	N
Ozone Depleting Substances/ CFCs	Release Prevention; Recovery/Recycle; Certification Labeling	40 CFR 82	Ecology	Reporting; Training; Operation	N
Soil Column Waste Water Disposal	SWDP	WAC 173-216	Ecology	Operation	N
	Approval of Engr. Report, Plans & Specs., and O&M Manual	WAC 173-240	Ecology	Construction	N
	UIC Permit/ Registration	WAC 173-218	Ecology	Operation	N
Domestic Waste Water Disposal	Septic Systems < 14,500 gpd Capacity Design Approval	WAC 246-272	DOH	Construction	N
	Septic Systems > 14,500 gpd Capacity Design Approval	WAC 173-216; WAC 173-240	Ecology	Construction	N
	Pretreatment Permit	40 CFR 403; City Ordinance	City of Richland	Discharge to City Sewage Facility	N
	Operator Certification	WAC 173-230	Ecology	Operation	N
	Discharge Standards	WAC 173-221	Ecology	Discharge	N
Surface Waste Water Disposal	NPDES Permit	40 CFR 122	EPA	Operation	N
	Storm Water Discharge Under General Permit	57 FR No. 175	EPA	River Construction	N
	U.S. Dept of Army Permit	33 CFR 325	USACE	River Construction	N

ENVIRONMENT-MEDIA	PERMIT, APPROVAL, or REQUIREMENT	REGULATION(S)	REGULATORY AGENCY	RESTRICTION	APP. (Y or N)
	Section 10 Permit	33 CFR 320; 33 CFR 322	USACE	River Construction	N
	Nationwide Permits	33 CFR 330	USACE	River Construction	N
	Hydraulic Projects Permit	WAC 220-110	WA State Dept. of Fisheries	River Construction	N
	Shoreline Development Permit	WAC 173-14 to -20	Benton County	River/Island Construction	N
	Aquatic Lands Lease	WAC 332-30	DNR	Construction	N
	Hanford Reach Study Act Notification	PL 100-605	U.S. Park Service	Construction within 1/4 mi. of River	N
	Water Quality Modification Permit	WAC 173-201	Ecology	River Construction	N
	Certification of NPDES Permit	40 CFR 121	Ecology	Operation	N
	Categorical Standards	40 CFR 405 to 471	EPA	Operation	N
Drinking Water Supply	Approval of Engr. Report, Plans & Specs.	WAC 246-290	DOH	Construction	N
	System ID. Number	WAC 246-290	DOH	Operation	N
	Operator Certification	WAC 246-292	DOH	Operation	N
Solid Waste	Solid Waste Handling Facility Permit	WAC 173-304	BFDHD	Construction	N (See Narrative)
Dangerous Waste	Dangerous Waste Permit (RCRA Part A and B)	WAC 173-303-800 through-860; 40 CFR 264; 40 CFR 265; 40 CFR 270	Ecology	Construction of New Facilities or Expansion of Existing Facilities	Y

ENVIRONMENT-MEDIA	PERMIT, APPROVAL, or REQUIREMENT	REGULATION(S)	REGULATORY AGENCY	RESTRICTION	APP. (Y or N)
	Construction or expansion of surface impoundments, waste piles, or landfill units	WAC 173-303-335	Ecology	Construction quality assurance plans, program, and certification	Y
UST	Tank Permit	WAC 173-360	Ecology	Operation	N
All Media	Floodplain, Wetland Assessment	10 CFR 1022	DOE	Any Surface Disturbance	N
	Cultural Resource Review	36 CFR 800	DOE	Any Surface Disturbance; Modification of Bldgs. Eligible for Listing on Historical Register	Y
	Excavation Permit	36 CFR 800	DOE	Any Excavation	Y
	Ecological Compliance Review	10 CFR 1021; 50 CFR 402.6; DOE Order 5484.1	USFWS	Construction; Habitat Modification	Y
	Preoperational Monitoring of Facilities, Sites, and Operations	DOE Order 5400.1	DOE	Operation	Y
	Radiation Protection Standards	DOE Order 5400.5	DOE	Construction	Y

NEPA

NEPA Documentation - Title 10, CFR 1021

A NEPA review is required for all proposed actions at the Hanford Site. Documentation of the completed NEPA review process could include an EIS, an EA or a CX. The EIS is required for proposed major federal actions that could significantly affect the quality of the human environment. In cases where the need for an EIS is uncertain, an EA is prepared. A CX is issued by RL if the proposed action clearly would have no significant impact on the quality of the human environment. However, most actions determined to be categorically excludable must be documented. A NEPA Documentation Request Checklist is available on Jetform on the Hanford Local Area Network that can be completed and forwarded to WHC NEPA Services to initiate the necessary review process. NEPA Documentation must be completed before starting Title II Design.

Note: All cultural resource surveys and ecological survey/reviews must be completed before any NEPA documentation is submitted to RL.

EVALUATION: DOE/EIS-0189 Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Tank Waste Remediation System, Section 3.4.10, "Descriptions and Comparisons of Alternatives - Phased Implementation Alternative", and Volume 2, Appendix B, Section B.3.9.1, "Descriptions of Alternatives - Phased Implementation Alternative", include a description of the Phase 1 Low Activity Waste activities that would be covered by the Environmental Impact Statement.

These sections state that the Low Activity Waste would be processed using a technology that would meet Low Activity Waste acceptance specifications, with vitrification technology being used in the EIS for the purposes of comparing environmental impacts from other alternatives. The Immobilized Low Activity Waste will be placed into disposal containers and transported to the existing grout vaults for interim storage until the permanent onsite disposal vaults are constructed during Phase 2 of the Privatization Contract. The LAW placed in interim storage during Phase 1 will be retrieved and transported to the LAW disposal vaults during Phase 2.

The TWRS EIS addresses LAW operations implemented under Phase 1, placing the immobilized LAW into containers, transporting the immobilized waste to onsite interim storage facilities, modification of the existing Grout Vaults to accommodate interim LAW storage during Phase 1 operations. The Grout Vault modifications would include those required to allow placement and interim storage of the LAW disposal containers pending future retrieval and disposal during Phase 2.

It should be noted that the following ILAW activities are not covered by the TWRS EIS for Phase 1: a.) disposal of LAW - all disposal occurs in Phase 2; b.) construction of additional ILAW interim storage capacity.

For additional information contact L. E. Borneman (373-2821) or B. G. Erlandson (372-2678).

SEPA

SEPA Documentation - WAC 197-11

SEPA is the State or local equivalent of NEPA that requires evaluation of environmental impacts associated with a project before it can be approved. A SEPA checklist is completed if required by Ecology (typically only if some state permit is needed). An EA under NEPA may substitute for the SEPA checklist. Ecology will determine if a State EIS is required or will issue a determination of nonsignificance.

EVALUATION: The Washington State Department of Ecology was the lead State Agency in the preparation of DOE/EIS-0189 (Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Tank Waste Remediation System). The TWRS EIS and its Record of Decision will satisfy the SEPA requirements for LAW activities addressed in the TWRS EIS. If additional federal review of the environmental impacts from a given LAW activity would be required under NEPA (i.e., as could occur as a result of significant project change), then additional state review would be required under SEPA.

For additional information, please contact L. E. Borneman (373-2821) or B. G. Erlandson (372-2678).

CERCLA

CERCLA ARARs - 40 CFR 300 to 400

No federal, State, or local permits are required for onsite response actions covered by CERCLA, Sections 104, 106, 120, 121, 121, or 122. This exception is allowed because onsite response actions must comply with the substantive parts of ARARs. On the Hanford Site, an activity is recognized as a CERCLA activity if the unit is identified as a CERCLA unit in the Tri-Party Agreement, or the activity is documented and performed in accordance with the CERCLA process. CERCLA remedial actions must comply with the substantive requirements of ARARs during the remedial action and upon completion of the remedial action. Additionally, removal actions, commonly called interim actions or expedited response actions, must comply with ARARs depending upon the exigencies of the circumstances and the scope of the removal action. The substantive portions of ARARs are generally required unless the removal is an emergency situation that does not allow for a planning phase to identify ARARs.

EVALUATION:

The provisions of CERCLA do not apply because the interim storage and transportation of immobilized Low Activity Waste is not a CERCLA response, removal, or remedial action.

NONRADIOACTIVE AIR EMISSIONS

General Regulations for Air Pollution Sources - WAC 173-400-040

NSR Applicability - WAC 173-400-110

Before a new or modified source of regulated air emissions is constructed, installed, or established, Ecology must review plans, specifications, associated information, and NOCs related to the new or modified source.

An NOC is a written application to permit construction of a new source or modification of an existing source. The application describes the proposed design, assesses potential impacts to the public and environment, and provides an assessment of BACT. An NOC for nonradioactive air emissions may be required because of requirements of two regulations: sources subject to WAC 173-400 (including 40 CFR 60 and 61) and WAC 173-460 may need an NOC prepared for preconstruction approval according to each regulation. In some cases a single, combined NOC may be submitted for approval by the appropriate State or local agency. The descriptions under the following subtitles identify these specific regulations and NOC requirements.

PSD - WAC 173-400-141

Any increased emission of criteria pollutants from a new or modified source may trigger a significant modification as defined by 40 CFR 52.21. Potential annual amounts of expected increases must be considered. Preconstruction approval may be required by Ecology. The criteria pollutants include:

- Carbon monoxide
- Nitrogen oxides
- Sulfur dioxides
- Particulate matter and PM-10
- Ozone (volatile organic compounds)
- Lead (elemental)
- Fluorides
- Sulfuric acid mist
- Total reduced sulfur compounds (including H₂S)
- CFCs 11, 12, 113, 114, 115
- Halons 1211, 1301, 2402
- MWC acid gases, MWC metal, and MWC organics.

If an NOC is required, the potential annual emissions of the criteria pollutants must be reported in that NOC. (See NOC Section.)

EVALUATION:

Based on the LAW Immobilization design specifications, the Immobilized LAW will be placed in a container that will be leak-tight, as determined by ANSI N14.5. The container will be designed to remain leak tight for 50 years under ambient temperature and pressure. Therefore, the Immobilized LAW Interim Storage Facility will not be a source of regulated emissions to the atmosphere and is not required to obtain permitting under the Clean Air Act.

Because the sealed container is a significant modification from the previous storage/disposal configuration for LAW (i.e., Grout), it is recommended that the ILAW Storage project seek formal approval from the appropriate regulatory Agency that the containers constitute a sealed container and are therefore not subject to regulation.

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Controls for New Sources of TAPs - WAC 173-460-030; -040

Some key questions and requirements of an analysis regarding WAC 173-460 applicability include:

- Will the source emit TAPs other than non-process fugitive emissions in a significant quantity?
- Does the source fall into a source category listed in WAC 173-460 or WAC 173-400?
- Is the source exempt?
- Is this a "new source" of TAPs?
- T-BACT for TAPs is required for applicable sources having increased or new TAPs emissions.
- T-RACT for TAPs is required for projects that will cause the rate of TAPs emissions to decrease or stay the same.

EVALUATION:

Based on the LAW Immobilization design specifications, the Immobilized LAW will be placed in a container that will be leak-tight, as determined by ANSI N14.5. The container will be designed to remain leak tight for 50 years under ambient temperature and pressure. Therefore, the Immobilized LAW Interim Storage Facility will not be a source of regulated emissions to the atmosphere and is not required to obtain permitting under the Clean Air Act.

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RADIOACTIVE AIR EMISSIONS

NESHAPS - 40 CFR 61, Subpart H

Any new stationary source of radionuclide emissions is subject to a preconstruction review and approval by the EPA, Region 10. Also, any new physical or operational activity that will provide any increase in potential emissions of radionuclides is defined as a modification that also may require approval.

EVALUATION:

Based on the LAW Immobilization design specifications, the Immobilized LAW will be placed in a container that will be leak-tight, as determined by ANSI N14.5. The container will be designed to remain leak tight for 50 years under ambient temperature and pressure. Therefore, the Immobilized LAW Interim Storage Facility will not be a source of regulated emissions to the atmosphere and is not required to obtain permitting under the Clean Air Act.

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Radiation Protection - Air Emissions - WAC 246-247-060

Registration of Source - WAC 246-247-060

The EIS/ODIS is an annual report provided to DOE in accordance with DOE Order 5400.1. If a source is listed in the EIS/ODIS, it must be registered with the DOH. Furthermore, the DOH will make a case-by-case determination regarding the need to register any new or modified source of radioactive air emissions requiring an NOC. One basis for determining if a source must be listed in the EIS/ODIS, thus requiring registration, is the WHC criterion for record sampling, listed in WHC-CM-7-5, Section 2.5.3.3.

EVALUATION:

Based on the LAW Immobilization design specifications, the Immobilized LAW will be placed in a container that will be leak-tight, as determined by ANSI N14.5. The container will be designed to remain leak tight for 50 years under ambient temperature and pressure. Therefore, the Immobilized LAW Interim Storage Facility will not be a source of regulated emissions to the atmosphere and is not required to obtain permitting under the Clean Air Act.

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NOC - WAC 246-247-060

Any new activity, process, or equipment that will involve potential emissions of radionuclides to the air is subject to a preconstruction review and approval by the DOH. Also, if the activity involves a physical or operational change at an existing source of radionuclide air emissions, and the change will result in ANY increase in the rate of emissions of radionuclides to the ambient air from the existing source, a modification will occur according to the WAC 246-247, and review and approval by the DOH is required. To determine whether a change constitutes such a modification, emissions that will result after the changes are compared to a baseline that is normally the annual rate of emissions observed from the facility, structure, or operation during the previous two years of operations. Other options for definition of the baseline exist and may be negotiated with the DOH.

The increase may be related to such factors as increased flow rate or concentration of effluent, upstream heating or mixing of source material, or increased exposure to outside air. When determining whether increased emissions would occur, additional abatement by any planned emissions control equipment may not be factored in.

An NOC application must be filed to obtain prior DOH approval of the new or modified activity. The NOC must include a description of the new construction or modification activities with details concerning any affect the planned construction activity, or the new or changed operations would have regarding containment or release of radionuclide air emissions. The NOC must also

include estimates of actual and potential emissions and an assessment of BARCT as defined in the WAC 246-247. For activities having lesser potential for radioactive emissions, it is possible to gain DOH approval in a streamlined manner by providing a brief description of the proposed activity (written and oral), including a summary of the information mentioned above, to the DOH during a regularly scheduled monthly meeting. DOH approvals provided at the monthly meetings are documented in meeting minutes signed by representatives of DOH and RL, and represent an approved NOC.

EVALUATION:

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ALL AIR EMISSIONS

Air Operating Permit - WAC 173-401

WAC 173-401 establishes the elements of a comprehensive Washington State air operating permit program consistent with the requirements of Title V of the Federal Clean Air Act. A statewide permit is required for the Hanford facilities. This permit will address both radioactive and nonradioactive airborne emissions from all emission units that are above the listed threshold but are not limited to, criteria pollutants and hazardous air pollutants (including radionuclides). In this regulation, Ecology also has established thresholds for regulated pollutants below which emissions would be considered insignificant for the purposes of the operating permit program. Ecology has proposed new sections to Chapter 173-401 to define IEUs and activities. Categorically exempt units/activities may be omitted from the permit. Other IEU items/activities must be listed on the permit, but are exempt from the administrative requirements of the permit.

The permit will establish emission limits and conditions of operation restrictions for major sources on the Hanford Site. If a new NOC is required and an emission unit becomes operational after the permit is issued by the state, a permit revision will be required within 12 months after commencing operation. This application for modification shall be prepared in accordance with WAC 173-401-725. The NOC and permit modification can be sought concurrently. Any NOC application and associated documentation should be retained for future use in the Air Emissions Inventory that will be supporting the preparation of the title V Air Operating Permit application.

EVALUATION:

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ASBESTOS

Asbestos - BCCAA General Regulation 1, Article 8; 40 CFR 61, Subpart M

Proposed reconstruction, repair, or demolition involving asbestos must be reviewed by WHC Hanford Restoration and Operations group for possible pre-project notification to the BCCAA.

EVALUATION:

No notifications are required under these regulations because no reconstruction, repair, or demolition involving asbestos will be performed by this project.

OUTDOOR OR UNCONFINED BURNING

Fire - WAC 173-425; BCCAA, Regulation 1, Article 5

Any use of unconfined burning requires a permit from the local BCCAA obtained through the Hanford Fire Department. Special burn permits are required for demolition or fire training.

Evaluation:

No permit is required under these regulations because no outdoor or unconfined burning will occur during the implementation of this project.

OZONE DEPLETING SUBSTANCES/CFCs

Ozone Depleting Substances/CFCs - 40 CFR 82

Any person who produces, transforms, destroys, imports or exports a controlled (ozone depleting) substance must perform the required reporting, training, and operations specified.

EVALUATION:

This regulation is not applicable to this project because no ozone depleting substances will be produced, transformed, destroyed, imported, or exported within the scope of this project.

SOIL COLUMN WASTE WATER DISPOSAL

SWDP - WAC 173-216

An SWDP is required before waste materials from industrial, commercial, and municipal operations are discharged into ground and surface waters of the state and into municipal sewerage systems. An SWDP is not required for discharges of pollutants into navigable waters covered by an NPDES permit program.

EVALUATION:

Project W-465 does not entail the discharge of waste materials from industrial, commercial, and municipal operations into ground and surface waters of the state and into municipal sewerage systems. Therefore, this regulation is not applicable to this project.

Approval of engineering reports, plans, and specifications and operating and maintenance manual - WAC 173-240

Before construction or modification of those domestic or industrial wastewater facilities requiring Ecology wastewater discharge permits, engineering reports, plans, and specifications for the project must be submitted to and approved by Ecology. Operation and maintenance manuals must be submitted before construction is completed.

EVALUATION:

Project W-465 does not entail construction or modification of a domestic or industrial wastewater facilities requiring Ecology wastewater discharge permits. Therefore, this regulation is not applicable to this project.

UIC Permit/Registration - WAC 173-218

Authorization by Ecology of fluids injected through wells has been restricted to wells operational before February 29, 1984. New discharges of uncontaminated storm water and groundwater return flow, unaltered except for temperature from a ground water heat pump used for heating or cooling, are the only discharges that are not prohibited. These discharges must be registered with Ecology before construction.

EVALUATION:

Project W-465 will not entail the construction or operation of Underground Injection Wells. Therefore, this regulation is not applicable to this project.

DOMESTIC WASTE WATER DISPOSAL

Septic system approvals/permits (<14,500 gpd design capacity) - WAC 246-272

Plans and specifications for construction of a new sanitary sewer system or modification of an existing system shall be submitted and approved by the DOH before construction or entering into a contract for construction. Once the installation is complete, a Professional Engineer registered in Washington State must certify that the installation has been installed according to plans and specifications approved by the DOH. In addition, an operation and maintenance manual must be submitted to the DOH.

Note: The DOH has taken the following position regarding modification or expansion of a drain field located in the area of a known subsurface chemical hazard that could potentially cause the plume to harm

groundwater: No modification or expansion will be allowed, consistent with regulations established for larger on-site sewage systems, preliminary report requirements (WAC 246-272-080).

EVALUATION:

Project W-465 will not include the construction of a new septic system or modification of an existing septic system with a design capacity less than 14,500 gpd. Therefore, this regulation is not applicable to this project.

Project W-465 will use the existing drain fields that service the existing Grout Vaults. Documentation for these septic systems should be reviewed to assure environmental compliance.

Septic System approvals/permits (>14,500 gpd design capacity) - WAC 173-216; WAC 173-240

Septic systems with design capacities greater than 14,500 gpd are governed by State Waste Discharge Permits (WAC 173-216) and the engineering report, plan, and specification approval process described in WAC 173-240.

EVALUATION:

Project W-465 will not include the construction of a new septic system or modification of an existing septic system with a design capacity greater than 14,500 gpd. Therefore, this regulation is not applicable to this project.

Project W-465 will use the existing drain fields that service the existing Grout Vaults. Documentation for these septic systems should be reviewed to assure environmental compliance.

Pretreatment Permit - 40 CFR 403

New wastewater discharges to the City's sewage treatment plant may be required to submit permit applications to the City of Richland before discharging sewage, industrial waste, or other waste. Whether a permit application is needed depends on whether the activity is considered a Significant Industrial Discharge by the City or fits a national pretreatment category.

EVALUATION:

Project W-465 will not include the discharge of wastewater to the City of Richland's sewage treatment plant. Therefore, this regulation and permit are not applicable to this project.

Operator Certification - WAC 173-230

Every operator in responsible charge of a domestic wastewater treatment plant is required to be certified at a level equal to or higher than the classification rating of the treatment plant being operated. Septic systems are excluded from requiring certified operators.

EVALUATION:

Project W-465 does not include modification of a domestic wastewater treatment plant. Therefore, this regulation is not applicable to this project.

Discharge Standards and Effluent Limitations for Domestic Waste Water Facilities - WAC 173-221

Effluent from domestic wastewater treatment facilities, except subsurface septic tank systems with capacities less than 14,500 gallons per day, must meet the discharge standards established in this regulation.

EVALUATION:

Project W-465 is not a domestic wastewater treatment facility, therefore this regulation is not applicable to this project.

SURFACE WASTE WATER DISPOSAL

NPDES Permit - 40 CFR 122

Any discharge of pollutants to waters of the United States is required to have an NPDES permit before operation. The regulatory agency responsible for issuance of this permit is the EPA.

EVALUATION:

This project will not discharge liquid effluents to waters of the United States, therefore this regulation and permit are not applicable.

**Storm Water Discharge under EPA NPDES General Permit -
57 Federal Register 175, September 9, 1992**

The Hanford Site is covered under two storm water permits. Permit WA-R-00-000F covers storm water runoff for the Hanford Site as a whole. Permit WA-R-10-000F covers storm water runoff from construction projects. If there

is a potential for storm water to reach the river from construction activities; an NOI for authorization under the EPA general permit and a SWPPP must be in place at least two days before discharge from new construction sites (those begun after October 1, 1992).

EVALUATION:

Project W-465 will be subject to the provisions of Permit A-R-10-000F for control of storm water runoff from construction projects. Storm water runoff from Project W-465 does not have a potential to reach the Columbia River, therefore an NOI for authorization under the EPA general permit and a SWPPP are not required for this permit.

U.S. Department of the Army Permit - 33 CFR 325

Discharging dredge and fill material into waters of the United States requires a permit from the U.S. Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers, before initiating the activity.

EVALUATION:

Project W-465 does not entail construction near the waters of the United States and is therefore not required to obtain this permit.

Section 10 Permit - 33 CFR 322

Permits are required before the construction of structures and the performance of other activities in or adjacent to navigable waters. Certain activities are covered by nationwide permits rather than individual Section 10 permits. However, any work in an area designated as a "study river" for possible inclusion in the Wild and Scenic River System, such as the Hanford Reach, must obtain an individual Section 10 permit.

EVALUATION:

This project does not entail construction of structures or performance of other activities in or adjacent to navigable waters. Therefore, this regulation and associated permits are not applicable to this project.

Nationwide Permits - 33 CFR 330

Nationwide Permits are general permits issued by the USACE designed to regulate with little, if any, delay or documentation, certain waterway activities having minimal impacts. These permits are not applicable for projects within a Wild and Scenic River study area.

EVALUATION:

This project does not entail construction of structures or performance of other activities in or adjacent to navigable waters. Therefore, this regulation and associated permits are not applicable to this project.

Hydraulic Projects Permit - WAC 220-110

Any construction or other work that will change the natural flow of a river, including the addition of treated effluent waste water that will increase the natural flow, is required to obtain a hydraulic project approval from the State of Washington Department of Fisheries.

EVALUATION:

This project will not change the natural flow of a river, and will not add treated effluent waste water to a river. Therefore, this regulation and associated permits are not applicable to this project.

Shoreline Development Permit - WAC 173-14 to -20

A permit for developing the shoreline is required before construction for shorelines not federally owned, but under lease, easement, license, or other similar federal property rights short of fee ownership.

EVALUATION:

This project does not entail development of shoreline. Therefore, this regulation and associated permits are not applicable to this project.

Aquatic Lands Lease - WAC 332-30

Aquatic land activities that interfere with the general public's use of state-owned tidelands, shorelands, and beds of navigable waters, require authorization before construction from the State of Washington Department of Natural Resources by way of agreement, lease, permit, or other instrument(s).

EVALUATION:

This project will not interfere with the general public's use of state-owned tidelands, shorelands, and beds of navigable waters. Therefore, this regulation and associated permits are not applicable to this project.

Hanford Reach Study Act Notification - PL 100-605

Proposed construction within one-quarter mile of the Columbia River shoreline inside the Hanford Reach Area is subject to consultation and coordination with the National Park Service.

EVALUATION:

This project does not entail construction within one-quarter mile of the Columbia River shoreline inside the Hanford Reach Area. Therefore, this project is not subject to requirements for consultation and coordination with the National Park Service.

Water Quality Modification Approval - WAC 173-201

A permit, directive, or order, as appropriate, must be obtained from Ecology before undertaking an activity that will temporarily reduce water quality below the criteria and classifications established for the stream.

EVALUATION:

This project does not entail discharges to a navigable water and will not reduce water quality below the criteria and classification established for the Columbia River. Therefore, this regulation and associated permits are not applicable to this project.

Ecology Certification of an EPA NPDES Permit - 40 CFR 121

EPA may not issue an NPDES permit until a certification is granted or waived by Ecology. Ecology must certify that conditions necessary to ensure compliance with applicable federal and state water quality standards.

EVALUATION:

This project does not entail discharges to a navigable water. Therefore, this regulation and associated permits are not applicable to this project.

Categorical Standards

Effluent Guideline and Standards - 40 CFR 405 to 471

These regulations list industry categories associated with the NPDES permit program. The regulations prescribe effluent limitation guidelines for

existing sources, standards of performance for new sources, and pretreatment standards for new and existing sources.

EVALUATION:

This project does not entail discharges of liquid effluents to a navigable water. Therefore, this regulation and associated permits are not applicable to this project.

DRINKING WATER SUPPLY

Approval of Engineering Reports, Plans and Specifications - WAC 246-290

Approval of engineering reports, plans, and specifications for a drinking water supply system is required before construction.

EVALUATION:

This project does not entail modifications to a drinking water supply system. Therefore, this regulation and associated permits are not applicable to this project.

Drinking Water System Identification - WAC 246-290

New drinking water systems must obtain an identification number from the DOH before operation.

EVALUATION:

This project does not entail establishing a new drinking water system. Therefore, this regulation and associated permits are not applicable to this project.

Drinking Water System Operator Certification - WAC 246-292

Operators in direct responsible charge of certain public water systems must be examined and certified for their competency on state requirements and standards before operating the system. Systems requiring certified operators include systems with 100 services at any one time; or systems serving 25 or more persons where the water is supplied from a stream, lake, or other surface water source and the systems are required by law to use a water filtration system.

EVALUATION:

This project does not entail establishing a new drinking water system. Therefore, this regulation and associated permits are not applicable to this project.

DANGEROUS WASTE

Dangerous Waste Permit - WAC 173-303; 40 CFR 264, 265, 270

Facilities that treat, store, or dispose of regulated dangerous waste must obtain the necessary dangerous waste permits. Whether a waste is a regulated dangerous waste must be determined in accordance with WAC 173-303-070 designation procedures. Existing Hanford Facility TSD units are obtaining permits in accordance with schedules and procedures identified in the Tri-Party Agreement. New Hanford Facility TSD units that are not identified in the Tri-Party Agreement will require development of a permitting plan to detail the strategies and schedules to be used for developing the necessary dangerous waste permits. This plan must be developed early in the project development phase. Strategies and schedules to be used for developing the necessary dangerous waste permits for new TSD units will need to be discussed with the appropriate regulatory agencies to gain their concurrence.

EVALUATION: The immobilized LAW will contain RCRA regulated constituents and hazardous components. It is anticipated that the LAW will carry the same waste codes as found in the DST Part A and will require an approved RCRA permit for Dangerous Waste Storage of ILAW prior to operations. RCRA Part A, Form 3 for the existing Grout Vaults identifies that storage of Grout will occur in a surface impoundment and disposal will occur as a landfill. It is recommended that the Part A be modified to reflect the revised waste form and function of the Grout Vaults.

Transportation of Immobilized LAW from the private vendor to the Interim Storage facility must be accomplished in accordance with the dangerous waste transportation requirements of WAC 173-303.

Any dangerous waste that is generated during transport and storage of the ILAW during the normal operations of the facility will require management in a satellite accumulation area, or in accordance with the 90-day accumulation provisions of WAC 173-303-200. In addition, any suspect waste materials awaiting sampling/analysis results will need to be managed as dangerous waste until analysis is received.

Any leachate collected during storage of ILAW in the modified Grout Vaults will need to be assessed against the designation requirements in WAC 173-303. If the leachate is determined to be dangerous waste either through designation through listing or characteristics, then the effluent would be transported to Liquid Effluent Retention Facility (LERF) for processing through the 200 Area Effluent Treatment Facility and disposal at the State Approved Land Disposal Site in 200 West Area. If the leachate is not dangerous waste and complies with the acceptance criteria of the Treated Effluent Disposal Facility, the leachate could be disposed at that facility. Decisions that need to be made before the requirements for leachate can be determined are: i.) Designation of the ILAW, ii.) designation of leachate collected from the ILAW Interim Storage Facility.

If ILAW is a hazardous waste, disposal will be subject to the disposal provisions of WAC 173-303. Since disposal is not within the scope of Project W-465, requirements for disposal will be evaluated at a later date.

For additional information, please contact L. E. Borneman (373-2821) or B. G. Erlandson (372-2678).

Construction or Expansion of Surface Impoundments, Waste Piles, or Landfill Units - WAC-173-303-335

The construction or expansion of surface impoundments, waste piles, or landfills require submittal of the Construction Quality Assurance plans, programs, and certifications to Ecology.

EVALUATION

Project W-465 will modify the existing Grout Vaults, which are RCRA Treatment, Storage, and Disposal Unit. The existing RCRA Part A application, Form 3, states the operation and storage of the Grout Vaults will be considered, for purposes of compliance with the Dangerous Waste regulations, a surface impoundment during waste storage, and a landfill for disposal purposes. Therefore, modifications to this unit will need to comply with the provisions of WAC 173-303-335.

It is recommended that the Part A for the facility be modified to more accurately reflect the configuration of the ILAW.

For additional information contact L. E. Borneman (373-2821), or B. G. Erlandson (372-2678).

SOLID WASTE

Solid Waste Handling Facility Permit - WAC 173-304

Solid waste TSD sites or facilities (i.e., landfills, land spreading, piles, surface impoundments, and recycling facilities) must obtain approval from Ecology via the comprehensive solid waste plan, and a permit from the jurisdictional health department before construction. All nonradioactive, nondangerous solid waste disposal at Hanford shall be in accordance with the substantive requirements of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 173-304, "Minimum Functional Standards for Solid Waste Handling." WAC 173-351 does not apply to onsite DOE activities since the DOE is not a municipality.

EVALUATION:

The ILAW Interim Storage Facility is not subject to the disposal provisions of WAC 173-304 because it is not a landfill. All nonradioactive, nondangerous solid waste generated at the ILAW Interim Storage Facility will be disposed of in accordance with WAC 173-304.

If the ILAW were not a hazardous waste and if it was disposed in the Interim Storage Facility, disposal would be performed in accordance with this regulation (i.e., WAC 173-304). Since disposal is not within the scope of this evaluation, the environmental requirements for disposal will be performed at a later date.

For additional information contact L. E. Borneman (373-2821), or B. G. Erlandson (372-2678).

UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS

UST Permit - WAC 173-360

After July 1, 1991, no UST system, as defined in WAC 173-360, shall be operated without a valid permit from the regulatory agency.

EVALUATION:

Project W-465 does not contain an Underground Storage Tank for diesel fuel. If the design requirements change, adding a UST (i.e., establish a need for emergency back up systems and power), the environmental permits would need to be re-evaluated.

ALL MEDIA

Floodplain/Wetland Assessment - 10 CFR 1022

A Floodplain/Wetland Assessment applies to all proposed floodplain/wetlands actions. A proposed action shall be designed to minimize potential harm to or within a floodplain. The assessment should be performed in conjunction with the NEPA process.

EVALUATION:

This project does not located in a floodplain or a wetland. Therefore, a wetland/floodplain assessment will not be performed for this project.

CRR - 36 CFR 800

A CRR shall be performed before initiating any potential surface-disturbing activities onsite, or if any modifications are planned for any facility with the potential for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places. The request form to perform this assessment is located on Jetforms.

EVALUATION:

A Cultural Resource Review (CRR) has been performed for the existing Grout Vaults and the location of the proposed Immobilized Low Activity Waste Interim Storage facility. The results of this review are documented in the TWRS EIS.

Excavation Permit - 36 CFR 800

An excavation permit is required before initiating any potential surface-disturbing onsite activities.

EVALUATION:

Project W-465 will involve excavation and will require an excavation permit.

Ecological Compliance Review - 10 CFR 1021; 50 CFR 402.6; DOE Order 5484.1

A site survey should be performed to identify, if any: plant or animal species protected under the Endangered Species Act; candidates for such protection; species listed as threatened, endangered, candidate, sensitive, or monitored by the state of Washington; and species protected under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. Also assessed is whether the planned activities have the potential to disturb any priority habitats and/or species identified in the survey. The request form to perform this review (along with a CRR) is WordPerfect macro GEF271. This review also fulfills the NEPA ecological/biological review requirement.

EVALUATION:

An ecological/biological review was performed on the existing Grout Vaults and the immobilized low activity waste interim storage facility. This review was documented in the TWRS EIS. Because a significant amount of time has elapsed since any waste was placed in the Grout Vaults, the original ecological/biological review will need to be assessed to determine if additional assessments or reviews are needed.

Preoperational Monitoring of Facilities, Sites, and Operations - DOE Order 5400.1

Note: For more information see the Environmental Compliance Manual WHC-CM-7-5, Section 5.0, 5.4.2.1.g & h, Section 8.0, 8.5.1.7, and Section 9.0, 9.3.1.3.

An environmental study shall be conducted before start-up of a site, facility, or process that has the potential for significant adverse environmental impact. This study should begin not less than one year and preferably two years before start-up, so seasonal changes can be evaluated. This study precedes the conceptual design report and can include data acquired in the site selection process, excavation permit process, and NEPA/SEPA process.

EVALUATION:

TWRS Phase I Privatization Site environmental Baseline and Characterization Plan, HNF-SD-TWR-EV-001, has been developed. This plan presents a program to characterize and establish an environmental baseline for the TWRS Phase I site, feed tanks, and waste transfer corridors. This plan focuses on characterizing the surface and near surface vadose zone and data collection supporting the development of the preoperational baseline. This document provides a plan for the following activities:

1. Characterize the TWRS Phase I Demonstration Site surface area and near surface vadose zone;
2. Screen the TWRS Phase I Demonstration Site and waste transfer corridor for shallow buried material or near surface contamination from past activities; and
3. Develop an environmental baseline for the TWRS Phase I Demonstration Site and waste transfer corridors and feed tanks.

It is anticipated that the implementation of this plan will satisfy the requirements for pre-operational monitoring. For additional information, please call L. E. Borneman (373-2821) or B. G. Erlandson (373-3678).

Radiation Protection Standards - DOE Order 5400.5

This DOE Order establishes standards and requirements that must be followed to protect members of the public and environment against undue risk from radiation. The general environmental protection program requirements are established in DOE Order 5400.1. DOE Order 5400.1 requires that all DOE Sites prepare an environmental monitoring plan. DOE/RL 91-50, Environmental Monitoring Plan, includes DOE/EH-0173T, Environmental Regulatory Guide for Radiological Effluent Monitoring and Environmental Surveillance, which provides specific guidance regarding environmental monitoring activities.

EVALUATION: A monitoring plan should be developed for the facility. For additional information, please call L. E. Borneman (373-2821) or B. G. Erlandson (373-3678).

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