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March 24, 1987

Mr. John Anttonen
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Dear Mr. Anttonen:

The Yakima Indian Nation, in cooperation with the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, the Nez Perce Tribe, and the State of Washington and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), plan to review the records of well bores in and around the Hanford Reservation. The records are located in the RRL trailer office and are contained in several safes and bookshelves in the library area. Limited examination of one of the bore hole records was made a few weeks ago by Abdul Alkezweeny, the CTUIR and Nez Perce Tribal On-Site Representative, and Bob Cook of NRC. A team of reviewers consisting of one person from each of the affected parties and the NRC, headed by Curtis Canard, a geologist with the Council of Energy Resources Tribes, is planning to conduct the reveiw during the period of May 11 to May 15, 1987.

We are requesting your assistance in helping the reviewers carry out their assignment. They will require the aid of personnel to facilitate use of library area and the physical access to the information in the safes noted above. The reviewers may desire copies of records for retention. However, these will be identified and requested formally. Finally, the names of the reviewers and other information required for obtaining badges will be sent to the proper DOE office for processing.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation. We are looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Russell Jim

Russell Jim, Manager
Nuclear Waste Program

cc: Bill Burke, CTUIR
Ron Halfmoon, Nez Perce
Bob Cook, NRC
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