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RE: Phase I Construction Design Approval

Dear Mr. Ault:

This letter is in response to your April 14, 2010 submittal of the document *Construction Documents Phase I Final Cover Design Low-Level Radioactive Waste Facility*, April 14, 2010.

The Departments of Health and Ecology have completed the review of the document and have determined that it adequately addresses all previous comments and concerns, and is consistent with the Final Environmental Impact Statement dated May 28, 2004 that was prepared for the facility. The Construction Documents Phase 1 is considered complete.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that US Ecology may proceed with the construction of Phase 1 of the cover as outlined in the document *Construction Documents Phase I Final Cover Design Low-Level Radioactive Waste Facility*, dated April 14, 2010. It should be noted, however, that prior to construction, US Ecology must submit a Health and Safety Plan to the department for review and approval.

If you should have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me at (360) 236-3210.

Sincerely,

Gary Robertson  
Director

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