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**SUBJECT:** Transmittal of the FY 2001 Annual Groundwater Monitoring Trending Report for Waste Area Group 5 – (EM-ER-01-072)

**Reference:** DOE-ID, October 2000, *Groundwater Monitoring Plan for the Waste Area Group 5 Remedial Action*, DOE-ID-10779, Rev. 0, Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory, Idaho Falls, Idaho, October 1, 2000.

Dear Mr. Pierre and Mr. Nygard:

This letter transmits copies of the *FY 2001 Annual Groundwater Monitoring Trending Report Waste Area Group (WAG) 5* for your information. Groundwater monitoring for FY 2001 was completed in accordance with the requirements delineated in the WAG 5 ROD (DOE-ID 2000b) and outlined in the Groundwater Monitoring Plan (DOE-ID 2000a).

The trending report discusses the FY 2001 groundwater monitoring results, summarizes the historical data collected in support of the WAG 5 monitoring, and discusses possible trends in the data. The trend analyses do reveal a few potentially developing trends; however, because of the limited size of the data set, it is premature to draw any conclusions concerning these trends. Therefore, it is recommended that groundwater monitoring at WAG 5 continue as prescribed in the WAG 5 ROD and at the frequency prescribed in the *Groundwater Monitoring Plan for the Waste Area Group 5, Remedial Action* (DOE-ID 2000).

If you have any questions or comments regarding this document, please contact Carol Hathaway at 208-526-4049 or myself at 208-526-4392.

Sincerely,  
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