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Mr. Dave Wessrman
DOE - Idaho Operations Office
850 Energy Drive
Idaho Falls, ID 83401-1563

RE: Approval of Public Comment Period for Partial Closure Plans at the Test Reactor Area (TRA) and the Waste Experimental Reduction Facility (WERF) Located at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory, EPA ID No. ID4890008952.

Dear Mr. Wessrman:

A public notice proposing to approve the referenced plans appeared in *The Post Register* of Idaho Falls and *The Idaho Statesman* of Boise. The notice announced DEQ's intent to approve the proposed plans, and provided the public and other interested parties 30 days to comment. The 30-day comment period began March 7, 2002, and ended April 8, 2002.

During the comment period, DEQ received no comments or requests for a public hearing on the proposed closure plans. Therefore, the Closure Plans for the Test Reactor Area 630 – Catch Tank System, the Test Reactor Area 731 -Acid and Caustic Storage Tank System, and the Waste Experimental Reduction Facility Waste Stabilization Units are hereby approved.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Dinah Reaney at (208) 373-0426.

Sincerely,

Brian R. Monsor
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Waste Management & Remediation Division

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