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SUBJECT: Informal Dispute Concerning OU 7-13/14 Comprehensive Remedial
Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) Work Plan - (EM-ER-03-285)

REFERENCE: Letter from Pierre to Hain, October 27, 2003
Letter from Nygard to Hain, November 10, 2003

Dear Mr. Nygard and Mr. Pierre:

I have received the above referenced letters that initiate informal dispute resolution on the draft Final **Second Addendum to the OU 7-13/14 Waste Area Group 7 Comprehensive Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study Work Plan**. The process for dispute resolution is described in Section IX, of the Federal Facility Agreement/Consent Order (FFACO). Section 9.2, requires that the Project Managers make a reasonable effort to informally resolve disputes.

Each letter discusses specific issues with the draft addendum that have not been resolved through discussions at the Waste Area Group Manager level. I request that the FFACO Project Managers meet in Boise, Idaho on December 17-19, 2003, to review and, if possible, resolve these issues. The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality has offered to provide the meeting room.

I will provide a draft agenda for the requested informal dispute meeting for discussion during the FFACO Project Managers' call.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathleen E. Hain".

Kathleen E. Hain, Lead
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