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Dear Dr. Ichimura:

This letter is to acknowledge the receipt, review, and acceptance of the reports BEDL-99-001, Rev.2, Environmental Radiological Performance Verification (ERPV), dated February 14, 2003, and BEDL-03-003, Summary ERPV, dated July 2003.

The Department considers this project to be complete, that the corresponding documents satisfactorily validate and answer all concerns, comments, and questions of the independent Blue Ribbon Panel charged with the technical evaluation of the environmental study, and agrees that compliance with applicable Department regulations regarding environmental discharges from the low radioactive waste disposal facility can be successfully met.

I wish to express my appreciation to you and your staff, and all those who participated in this study, and the highly professional manner for which it was conducted. The regulatory agencies and CNS have derived considerable benefits from your efforts.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

  
Henry J. Porter, Assistant Director  
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