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Michael Thompson	DOE/BWIP	444-6421	
SUBJECT Status Report on BWIP Site Hydrology			
SUMMARY			

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According to Thompson, a task group comprised of DOE Headquarters and BWIP staff and contractors has recently prepared a series of recommendations for hydrologic tests. At the earliest, DOE staff may be available to discuss this testing program by mid-March. At present, DOE is considering testing the Grande Ronde units prior to constructing the Exploratory Shaft. Test zones will likely include the Rocky Coulee FT, Cohasset FT, Birkett FT and the Cohasset vesicular zone. The sequence and schedule for testing has not yet been identified.

The stop-work order continues to minimize BWIP hydrology field activities. The status of well-site conditions is outlined below:

- DC-18 Drilling was previously discontinued.
- DC-23W Piezometers previously installed (Wanapum well).
- DC-23GR Previously drilled, with one bridge plug in place to isolate the Umtanum flow.
- DC-24 Drilling rig on location with entry hole surface casing in place.
- DC-25 Pad area previously prepared - no drilling rig onsite.

Rockwell recently prepared an "expedited restart package" for well sites DC-24 and -25. This was reviewed by DOE staff who returned it to Rockwell for revision. A formal readiness review was not performed because of the needed revisions. According to Thompson, June is the earliest that the revised package will be available.

As a follow-up to the December Data Review, DOE is preparing two transmittals of information that our review team requested during the data review. The first transmittal will provide copies of the information that was requested by the NRC staff prior to the review, along with other information shown to the NRC staff during the review. Thompson noted that this transmittal package would be sent out next week (Feb. 23-27). A second transmittal package, consisting of information that was requested by the NRC staff during the review but not available at that time will be sent to NRC at a future, unspecified date.

ACTION REQUIRED

None

NAME OF PERSON DOCUMENTING CONVERSATION	SIGNATURE	DATE
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Gentlemen:

WEEKLY MEETINGS ON BWIP BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF DOE, NRC, THE AFFECTED INDIAN TRIBES, AND THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

As you may know, DOE-RL has begun holding a weekly meeting with representatives of the State of Washington, the Affected Indian Tribes, and the NRC, to discuss topics related to BWIP. These meetings were initiated to provide a regular forum for discussion and communication among the respective parties.

The first meeting was held on February 19, 1987, and focused on development of the schedule and format for future meetings. Items agreed to include:

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Meeting Date and Time: Every Monday (starting 3/2/87)
2:00 p.m.

Meeting Place: Room 590-A
Federal Building, Richland

Agenda: See the attachment

At this time we do not plan to issue meeting specific agendas nor will we prepare meeting minutes. We do believe, however, that other meeting details will evolve with time as appropriate and in accordance with the wishes of the participants.

Our fundamental intent in holding these meetings is to improve communications and enhance understanding of activities associated with BWIP. We strongly encourage and welcome regular participation in these meetings by your representative. If you have questions or comments, please contact me or Dr. J. J. Keating of my staff.

Sincerely,



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Attachment

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STANDING AGENDA
WEEKLY BWIP MEETING
WITH
PARTICIPANTS

- o Review/Closeout Items from Previous Meeting (DOE lead)
- o BWIP Activities (look back-look ahead) (DOE)
- o Discussion*
 - Yakima Indian Nation Representative
 - State of Washington Representative
 - Umatilla/Nez Perce Representative
 - NRC Representative
- o Review of discussion - identification of actions/issues
- o Special Topics (if any are arranged in advance)
- o Adjournment

*Limited to 15 minutes for each representative unless all representatives agree to an extension.