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**SUBJECT: IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (IDEQ) COMMENTS ON
THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT RELATED TO U.S. AIR FORCE
REQUEST FOR DISPOSAL UNDER 10 CFR 20.2002 AT A NON-NRC LICENSED
LANDFILL**

Dear Mr. Walker:

We are in receipt of your letter dated November 2, 2004, regarding the above referenced matter. The NRC will advise IDEQ of any action associated with approval of a specific exemption permitting the U.S. Air Force to dispose of four M-47 tanks containing depleted uranium, in a Subtitle C RCRA hazardous waste disposal facility.

In the meantime, should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me (817) 276-6552.

Sincerely,

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Rachel S. Browder, Health Physicist
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