
2.0 Environmental and Regulatory Compliance Summary

This section briefly describes how environmental compliance is achieved for the Hanford Site. Included are sections describing 1) stakeholder and tribal involvement in the environmental restoration and waste management missions at the Hanford Site, 2) the current status of the site's compliance with principal regulations, 3) issues and actions arising from these compliance efforts, 4) an annual summary of environmentally significant occurrences, and 5) waste management and chemical inventory information.

It is the stated policy of the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) that all activities be carried out in compliance

with all applicable local, state, and federal environmental laws and regulations, DOE Orders, Secretary of Energy Notices, DOE Headquarters and Richland Operations Office directives, policies and guidance. This includes those specific requirements, actions, plans, and schedules identified in the Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order (also known as the Tri-Party Agreement; Ecology et al. 1989) and other compliance or consent agreements. The DOE Richland Operations Office recognizes the importance of maintaining a proactive program of self-assessment and regulatory reporting to ensure that environmental compliance is achieved and maintained at the Hanford Site.