I. Project Title:
CH2M Hill Plateau Remediation Company – Small-scale research and development, laboratory operations, and pilot projects, November 2012 to November 2013

II. Project Description and Location (including Time Period over which proposed action will occur and Project Dimensions - e.g., acres displaced/disturbed, excavation length/depth, area/location/number of buildings, etc.):
CH2M Hill Plateau Remediation Company (PRC) will be conducting indoor bench-scale research projects and conventional laboratory operations on and near the Hanford Site in accordance with the categorical exclusion (CX) referenced in 10 CFR 1021, Appendix B, CX B.3.6, "Small-scale research and development, laboratory operations, and pilot projects". PRC Projects include all those identified Sections J.13 and J.14 of the PRC Contract, DE-AC06-08RL14788.

Activities would include, but not be limited to:

- Siting, construction, modification, operation, and decommissioning of facilities for small-scale research and development projects;
- Conventional laboratory operations (such as preparation of chemical standards and sample analysis); and,
- Small-scale pilot projects (generally less than 2 years) frequently conducted to verify a concept before demonstration actions, provided that construction or modification would be within or contiguous to a previously disturbed or developed area (where active utilities and currently used roads are readily accessible).

Not included are demonstration actions undertaken at a scale to show whether a technology would be viable on a larger scale and suitable for commercial deployment.

Prior to work, all locations will be evaluated to determine if ecological/biological or cultural reviews are needed.

III. Reviews (if applicable):
Biological Review Report #: Biological reviews will be conducted when required.
Cultural Review Report #: Cultural reviews will be conducted when required.
Additional Attachments: N/A

IV. Existing NEPA Documentation
Is the proposed action evaluated in a previous EA, EIS, or under CERCLA? YES NO
If "NO," proceed to Section V. If "YES," List EA, EIS, or CERCLA Document(s) Title and Number: N/A

And then complete Section VI. Provide electronic copy of Initiator/ECO signed NRSF to DOE NCO for information only. DOE NCO signature is not required.
V. Categorical Exclusion

Does the proposed action fall within a class of actions that is listed in Appendixes A or B to Subpart D of 10 CFR Part 1021? | YES | NO
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Are there extraordinary circumstances related to the proposal that may affect the significance of the environmental effects of the proposal? | □ | □

Is the proposal connected to other actions with potentially significant impacts or result in cumulatively significant impacts (not precluded by 40 CFR 1506.1 or 10 CFR 1021.211)? | □ | □

List CX to be applied and complete Categorical Exclusion Integral Elements (where an action might fit within multiple CXs, use the CX that best fits the proposed action):

B3.6 Small-scale research and development, laboratory operations, and pilot projects

Categorical Exclusion Integral Elements

Does the proposed action threaten a violation of applicable statutory, regulatory, or permit requirements for environmental, safety, or health, including DOE and/or Executive Orders? | □ | □

Does the proposed action require siting, construction, or major expansion of waste storage, disposal, recovery, or treatment facilities? | □ | □

Does the proposed action disturb hazardous substances, pollutants, contaminants, or CERCLA-excluded petroleum and natural gas products that pre-exist in the environment such that there would be uncontrolled or unpermitted releases? | □ | □

Does the proposed action adversely affect environmentally sensitive resources? | □ | □

Does the proposed action involve genetically engineered organisms, synthetic biology, governmentally designated noxious weeds, or invasive species such that the action is NOT contained or confined in a manner designed, operated, and conducted in accordance to applicable requirements to prevent unauthorized release into the environment? | □ | □

If "NO" to all Categorical Exclusion Integral Elements questions above, complete Section VI, and provide to DOE NCO for final Approval/Determination and signature in Section VII.

If "YES" to any of the Categorical Exclusion Integral Elements questions above, contact DOE NCO for additional NEPA Review.

VI. Responsible Contractor Signatures

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VII. Approval/Determination

DOE NEPA Compliance Officer: Woody Russell

Based on my review of information conveyed to me and in my possession (or attached) concerning the proposed action, as NEPA Compliance Officer (as authorized under DOE Order 451.1B), I have determined that the proposed action fits within the specified class of action:

NCO Determination - CX □ EA □ EIS

Signature: Woody Russell Date: 11/01/12