March 24, 1995

Ms. Merilyn Reeves, Chair
Hanford Advisory Board
800 NW Sixth Avenue, Suite 342
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Dear Ms. Reeves:

Thank you for your letter of February 8, 1995, conveying the Hanford Advisory Board's endorsement of beneficial economic opportunities, such as the use of existing radioisotopes for medical purposes. We appreciate the work the Board and its Cultural & Social-Economic Impacts Committee have done on this topic.

The Washington State Department of Ecology supports and encourages reuse or recycling of solid hazardous wastes, such as the beneficial uses of radioisotopes, provided these activities are safe, legitimate, and beneficial.

Please contact David L. Lundstrom of our Nuclear Waste Program's Kennewick office at (509) 736-3091 for regulatory assistance regarding recycling proposals.

Sincerely,

Mary Riveland
Director

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Response to HAB Consensus Advice #14 (February 8, 1995)
Pursuit of Possible Economic Opportunities at Hanford
Letter from M. Riveland, WA Dept of Ecology, March 24, 1995