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Mr. J. G. Lehew III, President
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Dear Mr. Lehew:

CONTRACT NO. DE-AC06-08RL14788 -- INTEGRATED SAFETY MANAGEMENT
SYSTEM (ISMS) VERIFICATION

RL recently completed the Phase II verification of the CHPRC ISMS implementation. While the DOE verification team found that the CHPRC ISMS processes and procedures were satisfactorily implemented at the company level, this was not the case for the Waste Retrieval Project (WRP) as evidenced by the events at Trench 11 during the week of February 1, 2010. WRP operations were placed on hold by CHPRC pending fact finding, causal analysis, and corrective action. Prior to restarting WRP operations, RL requests a recovery plan and briefings to RL senior management on the issues, causal factors, compensatory measures, and corrective actions taken to ensure safe operations. The ISMS verification team is currently finalizing their report, and when completed, RL will forward the report to CHPRC for action. As you progress through the development and implementation of corrective actions, you are directed to re-submit your declaration that ISMS has been implemented at the WRP. Following your declaration, RL will assemble a team and re-evaluate CHPRC's implementation of ISMS at WRP.

The Government considers these actions to be within the scope of the existing contract and therefore, the action does not involve or authorize any delay in delivery or additional cost to the Government either direct or indirect.

If you have any questions, please contact me, or your staff may contact Ray J. Corey, Assistant Manager for Safety and Environment, on (509) 376-0108.

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David A. Brockman
Manager

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