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June 5, 2014

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Re: Appreciation

Dear Matt,

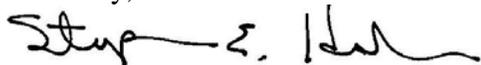
The Hanford Advisory Board (Board) sincerely wishes to thank you for your leadership over the past four years. Clearly we have benefitted from your commitment to a more open and transparent engagement with the Board.

In particular, the Board appreciates your attendance at numerous Board and committee meetings over the years, providing information and your perspectives on issues. More importantly, you listened carefully to the views of Board members and we valued your efforts to keep the Board informed. Although the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) did not always agree with our advice, we thank you for respecting and understanding the values on which our advice was based.

Today the Board has a much better understanding of the complexity of managing such a huge cleanup mission because you took the time to communicate accurately and often. Mutual respect and commitment to a cleaner Hanford have been consistently demonstrated in your interactions with us over your tenure as DOE-Richland Operations manager. Cleanup along the Columbia River is nearing completion and we recognize that your leadership was instrumental in accomplishing this shared goal.

Finally, we want to recognize your long and distinguished service to the DOE at Hanford and around the country, and to wish you the very best in your future endeavors. We will miss you.

Sincerely,



Steve Hudson, Chair  
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