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ACRONYMS

ALR	Action Leakage Rate
DOE-RL	U.S. Department of Energy Richland Operations Office
DWMU	Dangerous Waste Management Unit
Ecology	Washington State Department of Ecology
IDF	Integrated Disposal Facility
LCRS	Leachate Collection and Removal System
LDS	Leak Detection System
RCRA	<i>Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976</i>

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1 **K.1 INTRODUCTION**

2 This addendum discusses post-closure activities for the Integrated Disposal Facility (IDF) dangerous
3 waste management units (DWMUs) that comprise Operating Unit Group 11 of WA7890008967, Hanford
4 Facility Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Permit (hereinafter referred to as the Hanford
5 Facility RCRA Permit). The IDF provides storage, treatment, and disposal of waste from Hanford onsite
6 generators. The IDF consists of four DWMUs: a storage pad, a treatment pad, and two disposal cells.
7 Drawings showing the DWMU locations within the IDF are provided in Addendum A, "Part A Form."

8 This addendum complies with the requirements of Washington Administrative Code
9 (WAC) 173-303-610, "Closure and post-closure," Sections (7) through (11), as well as the applicable
10 post-closure requirements specified in WAC 173-303-665, *Landfills*.

11 As identified in Addendum H, "Closure Plan," the IDF storage pad and treatment pad will be clean
12 closed. IDF disposal cells 1 and 2 will be closed as a landfill with a final cover consistent with the closure
13 requirements specified in WAC 173-303-665(6) and WAC 173-303-610.

14 **K.2 POST-CLOSURE USE OF PROPERTY**

15 As required by WAC 173-303-610(7)(d), the integrity of the final cover and liners, and the function of
16 monitoring systems will not be disturbed during the post-closure period, unless the Washington State
17 Department of Ecology (Ecology) finds that such disturbance is necessary to the proposed use of the
18 property, and will not increase the potential hazard to human health or the environment; or is necessary
19 to reduce a threat to human health or the environment. Post-closure use of the property is not anticipated.

20 **K.3 POST-CLOSURE ACTIVITIES**

21 Post-closure activities are not required for the storage pad and the treatment pad. Post-closure activities
22 for the disposal cells include the following:

- 23 • Groundwater monitoring and reporting requirements.
- 24 • Leachate monitoring and reporting.
- 25 • Periodic inspections and maintenance (final cover, groundwater wells, and Leachate Collection
26 and Removal System [LCRS]).
- 27 • Continued security of the landfill area.

28 The post-closure activities will continue for 30 years following closure of the disposal cells, in accordance
29 with WAC 173-303-610(7)(a). This post-closure care period may be modified with approval of Ecology
30 in accordance with the requirements in WAC 173-303-610(7)(b).

31 **K.3.1 Groundwater Monitoring and Reporting**

32 Groundwater monitoring will continue during the post-closure period. Groundwater monitoring and
33 reporting requirements are addressed in Addendum D, "Groundwater Monitoring Plan." The Hanford
34 Facility groundwater monitoring reports provide annual results and interpretations of groundwater
35 monitoring. Sampling data are placed in the Hanford Environmental Information System database.

36 **K.3.2 Leachate Monitoring and Reporting**

37 During post-closure, the LCRS will continue to be operated in a manner that ensures that the leachate
38 depth over the liner does not exceed 30.5 cm (12 in) in accordance with WAC 173-303-665(2)(h)(ii). The
39 LCRS is designed to minimize clogging in accordance with WAC 173-303-665(2)(h)(iii)(D). Information
40 regarding operation of the LCRS is detailed in Addendum C, "Process Information." Such operations will
41 continue during post-closure until leachate is no longer detected or the post-closure period has concluded,
42 and Ecology has approved the discontinuation of LCRS monitoring.

1 After the final cover is installed, the amount of leachate removed from each Leak Detection System
2 (LDS) sump must be recorded and documented in the facility operating record at least monthly during the
3 post-closure period, as required in WAC 173-303-665(4)(c)(ii). If the liquid level in the sump stays below
4 the pump operating level for two consecutive months, the frequency of leachate collection and removal
5 will be reduced to quarterly. If after two consecutive quarters the liquid level in the sump has remained
6 below the pump operating level, collection of liquids in the sumps will be reduced to semi-annually. If at
7 any time during the post-closure care period the pump operating level is exceeded on quarterly or
8 semiannual recordings, the frequency of leachate removal will return to monthly until the liquid level
9 again stays below the pump operating level for two consecutive months. The frequency may then be
10 reduced as described.

11 The pump operating level was determined by engineering designs and operational limits in accordance
12 with the regulatory requirements of WAC 173-303-665(4)(c)(iii). For post-closure monitoring, the pump
13 operating level is defined as 30.5 cm (12 in) above the LCRS sump floor in accordance with Hanford
14 Facility RCRA Permit Condition III.11.F.9.g.i [WAC 173-303-665(2)(h)(ii)]. The amount of leachate
15 removed is also used to determine if the action leakage rate (ALR) has been exceeded. The ALR is a
16 value that is set higher than normally expected leakage rates to serve as an indicator that the primary
17 lining system is not functioning as expected. The ALR for each IDF disposal cell is calculated as 780 L
18 (206 gal) per acre per day. Addendum C contains the supporting analysis for the pump operating level
19 and ALR.

20 **K.3.3 Inspections and Maintenance**

21 Periodic inspections and maintenance will be performed throughout the post-closure period. Maintenance
22 will be performed in a timely manner to ensure compliance with post-closure requirements for final cover,
23 leachate collection, and groundwater monitoring [WAC 173-303-665(6)(b)]. Inspections will evaluate the
24 following:

- 25 • Final cover integrity.
- 26 • Groundwater monitoring system integrity.
- 27 • LCRS integrity.

28 As required by WAC 173-303-610(8)(b)(ii), this section also describes maintenance of the final cover,
29 groundwater monitoring system, and LCRS throughout the post-closure period. Maintenance is based on
30 observations made during inspections and monitoring activities.

31 **K.3.3.1 Final Cover Inspection and Maintenance**

32 Cover integrity inspections will evaluate the final cover for breaches in the surface, depressions caused by
33 settling or compression, subsidence, erosion, or other disruptions to the cover that would cause a
34 reduction in performance. The inspection will be performed every 5 years through aerial photography and
35 elevation surveys. Control points marked around the perimeter and at critical points on the cover will be
36 used to determine changes in cover elevation. Depressions, or other surface layer disturbances that may
37 affect the integrity of the cover, will be filled using topsoil with pea gravel and then re-vegetated as
38 necessary.

39 Maintenance of the final cover prevents run-on and runoff from eroding or damaging the final cover.
40 The Modified RCRA Subtitle C Barrier is designed such that surface water run-on and runoff control,
41 collection, and discharge devices are not needed. Layer 1 (topsoil) incorporates pea gravel into the soil to
42 reduce susceptibility to wind erosion. Vegetation planted on the topsoil layer will further reduce wind and
43 precipitation runoff erosion. The topsoil will be sloped at 2 percent, which is steep enough to provide
44 drainage of runoff from the cover and shallow enough to limit surface exposure leading to wind erosion.
45 The topsoil layer is sufficiently thick to provide performance margins against long-term wind erosion and
46 climate change.

1 Survey benchmarks used to define the IDF disposal cells may be disturbed or buried during the
2 construction of the final cover. Those benchmarks that are disturbed or buried will be replaced.
3 Benchmarks will be surrounded by steel posts, bollards, or jersey barriers as needed to signal their
4 presence and provide protection. Benchmarks will be inspected annually and resurveyed or repaired, if
5 necessary, as required by WAC 173-303-665(6)(b)(vi).

6 **K.3.3.2 Groundwater Monitoring, Well Inspection, and Maintenance**

7 Post-closure inspection and maintenance of the monitoring well system will be performed in accordance
8 with Hanford Facility RCRA Permit Attachment 8, *Inspection and Training Plan for Groundwater*
9 *Monitoring Wells*.

10 **K.3.3.3 Leachate System Inspection and Maintenance**

11 Periodic inspections of the LCRS during post-closure will be performed in accordance with
12 Section K.3.2. Issues identified during the inspections will be corrected in a timely manner, and the LCRS
13 will be maintained to ensure continued compliance with leachate collection required in WAC 173-303-
14 665(4)(c)(ii).

15 **K.3.4 Post-Closure Security**

16 During the post-closure period, the 24-hour security requirements outlined in Addendum E, "Security,"
17 will continue.

18 **K.4 SURVEY PLAT AND NOTICE IN DEED**

19 A survey plat will be submitted by the U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office
20 (DOE-RL) to Ecology and to the Benton County Planning Department no later than the submission of the
21 certification of closure of each dangerous waste disposal unit. The survey plat will indicate the location
22 and dimensions of landfill cells or other dangerous waste disposal units with respect to permanently
23 surveyed benchmarks. The plat will be prepared and certified by a professional land surveyor. The plat
24 filed with the Benton County Planning Department will contain a note, prominently displayed, which
25 states the owner or operator's obligation to restrict disturbance of the dangerous waste disposal unit in
26 accordance with WAC 173-303-610(7)(d).

27 No later than 60 days after certification of closure of each dangerous waste disposal unit, a record of the
28 type, location, and quantity of dangerous wastes disposed of within each cell or other disposal unit will be
29 submitted by DOE-RL to Ecology and to the Benton County Planning Department. A notice in deed to
30 the facility property will be submitted by DOE-RL to the Auditor of Benton County no later than 60 days
31 after certification of closure of the first and last dangerous waste disposal unit at the Hanford Facility in
32 accordance with WAC 173-303-610(10)(b). After submitting this notice, a certification signed by
33 DOE-RL will be submitted to Ecology stating that the notice has been recorded in accordance with
34 WAC 173-303-610(10)(b)(i), along with a copy of the notice in deed.

35 If DOE-RL or any subsequent owner of the land upon which a DWMU was located wishes to remove
36 dangerous wastes and dangerous waste residues, the liner, or contaminated soils, a modification to the
37 post-closure plan will be requested in accordance with the modification procedures specified in the
38 Permit. The modification request will include a demonstration that the removal of dangerous wastes will
39 satisfy the criteria in WAC 173-303-610(7)(d). If Ecology approves the permit modification request or
40 otherwise grants approval to conduct such removal activities, DOE-RL or the subsequent owner may
41 request Ecology approve either the removal of the notation on the deed to the facility property; or the
42 addition of a notation to the deed indicating the removal of the dangerous waste.

1 **K.5 CERTIFICATION OF COMPLETION OF POST-CLOSURE CARE**

2 No later than 60 days after completion of the established post-closure care period for each dangerous
3 waste disposal unit, DOE-RL will submit to Ecology, by registered mail or other means that establish
4 proof of receipt (including applicable electronic means), a certification that the post-closure care period
5 for the dangerous waste disposal unit was performed in accordance with the specifications in the
6 approved post-closure plan. The certification will be signed by DOE-RL and an Independent Qualified
7 Registered Professional Engineer (IQRPE). Documentation supporting the IQRPE's certification will be
8 furnished to Ecology upon request.

9 **K.6 CONTACT INFORMATION**

10 DOE-RL is the official contact for IDF during the post-closure period at the following address:

11 U.S. Department of Energy
12 Richland Operations Office
13 P.O. Box 550
14 Richland, WA 99352

15 After final closure of IDF has been certified, the person or office specified above will keep the approved
16 post-closure plan during the remainder of the post-closure period. Post-closure documents, including this
17 addendum, will be maintained in accordance with Hanford Facility RCRA Permit Condition I.H,
18 Documents to be Maintained at Facility Site.

19 **K.7 AMENDMENT OF THE PLAN**

20 DOE-RL must submit a written notification of or request for a permit modification to authorize a change
21 in the approved post-closure plan in accordance with the applicable requirements of WAC 173-303-800,
22 *Permit requirements for dangerous waste management facilities*, through WAC 173-303-840, *Procedures*
23 *for decision making*. The written notification or request must include a copy of the amended post-closure
24 plan for review or approval by Ecology.

25 **K.8 REFERENCES**

26 *Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976*, 42 U.S.C. 6901, et seq. Pub. L. 94-580, 90 Stat. 2795.
27 Available at: <https://elr.info/sites/default/files/docs/statutes/full/rcra.pdf>.

28 WA7890008967, Hanford Facility Resource Conservation and Recovery Act Permit, as amended,
29 Washington State Department of Ecology, Richland, Washington. Available at:
30 <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/nwp/permitting/hdwp/rev/8c/index.html>.

31 WAC 173-303, *Dangerous Waste Regulations*, Washington Administrative Code, Olympia, Washington.
32 Available at: <http://apps.leg.wa.gov/WAC/default.aspx?cite=173-303>.

33 303-610, *Closure and post-closure*.

34 303-665, *Landfills*.

35 303-800, *Permit requirements for dangerous waste management facilities*.

36 303-840, *Procedures for decision making*.