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SUBJECT: Request to Delete Operable Unit 1-11 and Re-assign Sites to Operable Unit 1-10
or Operable Unit 10-08 (FMDP-RFDP-05-028)

Dear Mr. Ceto and Mr. Koch:

The U.S. Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office is requesting Agency project manager concurrence to delete Waste Area Group (WAG) 1, Operable Unit (OU) 1-11 and to reassign three sites that were originally assigned to OU 1-11 to either OU 1-10 or OU 10-08. OU 1-11 was created on April 18, 2001 to track new sites at Test Area North (TAN). Since remediation of OU 1-10 is nearing completion and OU 10-08 has been established for assessing all new sites, there is no longer a need to maintain OU 1-11.

There are currently three sites (TSF-46, TSF-48, and IET-12) assigned to OU 1-11. Both TSF-46 and TSF-48 are immediately adjacent to the TSF-09/18 remediation area. The primary source of contamination at TSF-46 and TSF-48 is believed to be the same source of contamination in the TSF-09/18 area. Remediation of TSF-46 and TSF-48 has been incorporated into OU 1-10 via the January 2005 Explanation of Significant Differences (DOE/NE-ID-11199) and will be performed concurrently with remediation of the TSF-09/18 area.

IET-12 is not near any of the OU 1-10 remedial action sites. As with other newly identified sites, IET-12 will be assigned to OU 10-08 for assessment.

Two New Site Identification (NSI) forms (TSF-49 and TSF-50) from the WAG-1 area have been submitted for review and several others are being prepared as a result of RCRA Closure activities at TAN. These and all future new sites at TAN will be assigned to OU 10-08.

DOE requests your agreement to delete OU 1-11 and to reassign existing sites under OU 1-11 to either OU 1-10 or OU 10-08. Upon receiving that agreement, all documents in the Administrative Record associated with the OU 1-11 will be transferred to either OU 1-10 or OU

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10-08 as appropriate. These actions will be documented in the INEL Sitewide Five Year Review Report currently under development.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me at 208-526-4392.

Sincerely,



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