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**SUBJECT: Transmittal of the Revised Draft Proposed Plan (Rev 5) for Waste Area Group 3 — Idaho Chemical Processing Plant, Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory - (OPE-ER-148-98)**

Dear Mr. Pierre and Mr. Nygard:

Enclosed is the Revised Draft Proposed Plan (Rev 5) for Waste Area Group 3 — Idaho Chemical Processing Plant, Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory. This Revised Draft Proposed Plan (Rev 5) is being submitted to meet the requirements of the Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order (FFA/CO).

This document has been written to be short, reader friendly, and solicit comment from the public on the selection of remedial action alternatives. As a result, the discussion of site background, remedial investigation results and risk analysis have been minimized. With this in mind, the Revised Draft Proposed Plan (Rev 5) focuses the discussion on the evaluation, comparison, and recommendation of alternatives.

Comments received from the EPA and IDHW on the previous version (Rev 4) have been incorporated into this revised version of the Proposed Plan. This version of the Proposed Plan is intended to be used for the management briefings within the agencies. If there are comments that need to be incorporated following the management briefings, the comments will be incorporated into the final version of the Proposed Plan (Rev 6). Comments on this version of the Proposed Plan are due by September 23, 1998. Following the receipt of comments, the comments will be discussed and incorporated into the final version of the Proposed Plan (Rev. 6). The final

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Proposed Plan (Rev. 6) will be presented to the full CAB during their November 1998 meeting. If you have any questions, please call Talley Jenkins at (208) 526-4978 or myself at (208) 526-4392.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure

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