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Gentlemen:

The DOE letter (92-DOE-8021) dated July 15, 1992, confirmed the procedure to improve reporting on acquisition status and problems in support of the Interagency Agreement (IAG). This correspondence is the 30 day update report on the status of corrective measures.

Significant progress has been made in improving the functionality of the acquisition process to support the IAG. Improvements are discussed in three major areas of policy, training, and contracts.

1) Policy. Several meetings have been held involving the senior Rocky Flats officials for acquisition for both EG&G and the DOE. The historical problems with use of the acquisition process to support the IAG requirements were discussed in detail. Both the EG&G and DOE are committed to improved acquisition planning in order to minimize the impact of conflict of interest issues with regard to future subcontractor work. Key actions to support this commitment were improved training for all IAG and acquisition support staffs, more comprehensive acquisition planning, and more critical management review of procurement documents.

2) Training. Efforts have begun to provide specific acquisition planning training for IAG Project Managers for both EG&G and DOE. Past training has focused on the procurement and contracting aspects of the acquisition process. The training being developed will focus on the initial acquisition planning and its relationship to the total project scope, schedule, and budget. In addition, EG&G and DOE Contract Specialists will be given training on the RIFS process, to provide a better understanding of the unique requirements for remediation projects. Training is expected to begin later in August 1992.

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3) Contracts. The major action to be completed is the technical review of all 156 Master Task Subcontract (MTS) proposals. The DOE Contracting Office is currently reviewing the MTS's and making some minor changes to the contract language to ensure consistency with transition plans which have evolved since the MTS process was started. Awards are anticipated near the end of August.

If you need further information or clarification regarding the items discussed above, please contact me at (303) 966-7846.

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