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Dear Mr. Lockhart:

As you know, one of DOE's responsibilities by the terms of the Interagency Agreement is to prepare a baseline risk assessment for each operable unit. In order to facilitate technical discussions concerning this aspect of the remedial investigation and feasibility study (RI/FS), EPA proposes the formation of a risk assessment technical working group. We envision this working group to include technical experts representing EPA, the Colorado Department of Health, DOE, and DOE contractors in the fields of toxicology, health physics, risk assessment, ecotoxicology, and biology. The purpose of the group is to meet regularly throughout the RI/FS period to disseminate information, discuss technical approaches in the areas of human health risk assessment and environmental evaluation, to interpret results of assessments, and to ensure consistency between operable units. In general, the group will address the broad topic of risk assessment at the Rocky Flats Plant. As issues become more narrowly focused, it may be useful to form smaller groups to address them.

We further propose that the first meeting of this group be held on April 5, 1991 at 9:00 am in the EPA conference center on the second floor of the Denver Place office building (999 18th St., Denver, CO). A suggested agenda is attached. We stress the importance of the participation by the appropriate technical experts to indeed make it a "working group".

Should you have any questions or require clarification of the intent of this proposed group, please contact Ms. Bonita Lavelle at (303)294-1165.

Sincerely,

Martin Hestmark,
Rocky Flats Project

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Enclosure

ADMIN RECORD

A-SW-001730

RISK ASSESSMENT TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP
APRIL 5, 1991
AGENDA

INTRODUCTION & CLARIFICATION OF PURPOSE	9:00
CRITERIA FOR IDENTIFICATION OF CONTAMINANTS OF CONCERN	9:10
TECHNICAL APPROACH TO ENVIRONMENTAL EVALUATION	10:00
TECHNICAL MEMORANDA REQUIRED BY SECTION VII.D. OF THE IAG SOW (scope and schedule)	11:00
CONSISTENCY AMONG OPERABLE UNITS	11:30
ISSUES TO BE ADDRESSED BY GROUP AND SCHEDULE FOR FUTURE MEETINGS	11:55
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