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**From:** mailing@seanet.com  
**Sent:** Monday, August 12, 2002 2:44 PM  
**To:** solid\_waste\_eis\_-\_doe@rl.gov  
**Subject:** Stop importing waste to the Hanford Nuclear Reservation

Dear Mr. Collins,

I am writing you as a citizen concerned with the cleanup of Hanford, one of the most contaminated places in the world. The U.S. Department of Energy is proposing to double the amount of radioactive waste buried in unlined soil trenches at Hanford, which doubles the risk of more soil and groundwater contamination. You have failed to adequately address the human health and environmental impacts of adding this radioactive waste to Hanford in your Solid Waste Environmental Impact Statement (SW EIS). I urge you to redo your analysis and stop importing more waste until you have cleaned up the huge radioactive mess already contaminating the Columbia River at Hanford.

The analysis of human health and environmental impacts in the SW EIS is lacking in several ways. Currently, Hanford receives waste from other Nuclear Weapons Plants, Labs and even private companies. This waste is dumped in unlined soil trenches with limited groundwater monitoring. Even our kitchen garbage cannot be buried like this! The SW EIS offers no alternative to line and monitor these trenches. Dumping more radioactive waste will contaminate groundwater flowing towards the Columbia River for "thousands of years." Also, the U.S. Department of Energy's proposal to greatly increase the waste coming to Hanford from these offsite locations increases the risk of accidents. The transportation risk of importing over 70,000 truckloads of radioactive waste, including dangerous plutonium-laden "transuranic waste," is not even considered in the SW EIS.

We are spending billions of dollars cleanup up the radioactive mess at Hanford. Why would we risk adding more waste to the already contaminated soil and groundwater? I ask again that you reconsider all the impacts to our region before making a decision based on a faulty analysis. The Solid Waste Environmental Impact Statement is utterly deficient. I encourage you to start over and provide me with complete information on all risks from importing and burying waste at Hanford. Until then, please stop burying radioactive waste in unlined soil trenches.

I would appreciate a complete response to my comments.

Sincerely,

Karl Malling  
22103 Locust Way  
Brier, WA 98036

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**From:** eecm1@u.washington.edu  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 13, 2002 8:06 PM  
**To:** solid\_waste\_eis\_-\_doe@rl.gov  
**Subject:** Stop importing waste to the Hanford Nuclear Reservation

Dear Mr. Collins,

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1 | --\*\*\*Thank you for your consideration of me and the rest of us living in the world. I just  
| want to live in a place just as beautiful and clean as it was when I was growing up, even  
| better if possible. I also wish that for my children and their children, yours too. We all  
| thank you in advance for making a decision that benefits us and our living environment. :  
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Sincerely,

Edlyn Clevenger

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Edlyn Clevenger

Vancouver, WA 98684

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**From:** fourgilberts@msn.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 13, 2002 1:49 PM  
**To:** solid\_waste\_eis\_-\_doe@RL.gov  
**Subject:** Stop importing waste to the Hanford Nuclear Reservation

Dear Mr. Collins,

**1** | I am not an expert on the environment, but I am an expert on my health. I work hard to stay as healthy as I can. Today I am writing you to ask that you do your part in keeping the environment healthy.

Hanford is one of the most contaminated places in the world and the U.S. Department of Energy is proposing to double the amount of radioactive waste buried in unlined soil trenches at Hanford, which doubles the risk of more soil and groundwater contamination.

**2** | Again, I'm not an expert, but more pollution on top of existing pollution doesn't sound like you are being good stewards of the environment. You have failed to adequately address the human health and environmental impacts of adding this radioactive waste to Hanford in your Solid Waste Environmental Impact Statement (SW EIS). I urge you to redo your analysis and stop importing more waste until you have cleaned up the huge radioactive mess already contaminating the Columbia River at Hanford.

The analysis of human health and environmental impacts in the SW EIS is lacking in several ways. Currently, Hanford receives waste from other Nuclear Weapons Plants, Labs and even private companies. This waste is dumped in unlined soil trenches with limited groundwater monitoring. Even our kitchen garbage cannot be buried like this! The SW EIS offers no alternative to line and monitor these trenches. Dumping more radioactive waste will contaminate groundwater flowing towards the Columbia River for "thousands of years." Also, the U.S. Department of Energy's proposal to greatly increase the waste coming to Hanford from these offsite locations increases the risk of accidents. The transportation risk of importing over 70,000 truckloads of radioactive waste, including dangerous plutonium-laden "transuranic waste," is not even considered in the SW EIS.

We are spending billions of dollars cleanup up the radioactive mess at Hanford. Why would we risk adding more waste to the already contaminated soil and groundwater? I ask again that you reconsider all the impacts to our region before making a decision based on a faulty analysis. The Solid Waste Environmental Impact Statement is utterly deficient. I encourage you to start over and provide me with complete information on all risks from importing and burying waste at Hanford. Until then, please stop burying radioactive waste in unlined soil trenches.

I would appreciate a complete response to my comments.

Sincerely,

Nancy Gilbert  
834 NW 61st St  
Seattle, WA 98107

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**From:** econancy@olyphen.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 15, 2002 4:57 PM  
**To:** solid\_waste\_eis\_-\_doe@rl.gov  
**Subject:** Stop importing waste to the Hanford Nuclear Reservation

Dear Mr. Collins,

I am deeply concerned with the cleanup of Hanford. It is already one of the most contaminated places in the world.

1 | The U.S. Department of Energy is now proposing to double the amount of radioactive waste buried in unlined soil trenches at Hanford, which doubles the risk of more soil and groundwater contamination. I don't see how this "cleans up" this site - it only makes it a greater hazard.

Human health and environmental impacts of adding this radioactive waste to Hanford have not been addressed in your Solid Waste Environmental Impact Statement (SW EIS). I urge you to redo your analysis and stop importing more waste until you have cleaned up the huge radioactive mess already contaminating the Columbia River at Hanford.

The analysis of human health and environmental impacts in the SW EIS is lacking in several ways. Currently, Hanford receives waste from other Nuclear Weapons Plants, Labs and even private companies. This waste is dumped in unlined soil trenches with limited groundwater monitoring. Even our kitchen garbage cannot be buried like this! The SW EIS offers no alternative to line and monitor these trenches. Dumping more radioactive waste will contaminate groundwater flowing towards the Columbia River for "thousands of years."

2 | Additionally, the U.S. Department of Energy's proposal to greatly increase the waste coming to Hanford from these offsite locations increases the risk of accidents. The transportation risk of importing over 70,000 truckloads of radioactive waste, including dangerous plutonium-laden "transuranic waste," is not even considered in the SW EIS, and is more relevant than ever in these days of terrorism.

We are spending billions of dollars cleanup up the radioactive mess at Hanford. Why would we risk adding more waste to the already contaminated soil and groundwater? I ask again that you reconsider all the impacts to our region. The Solid Waste Environmental Impact Statement is utterly deficient. I encourage you to start over and provide me with complete information on all risks from importing and burying waste at Hanford. Until then, at the very least, please stop burying radioactive waste in unlined soil trenches.

I would appreciate a complete response to my comments.

Sincerely,

Nancy Newman  
P. O. Box 3097  
Port Angeles, WA 9

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**From:** Brady-Power [bradymj@cnw.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, July 27, 2002 2:14 PM  
**To:** solid\_waste\_eis\_-\_doe@rl.gov  
**Subject:** Keeping the Columbia River safe and clean.

Michael Collins

U.S. Department of Energy

P.O. Box 550, A6-38

Richland, WA 99352

Dear Mr. Collins,

**1** | I really cannot believe this is still going on. At risk is the Columbia River, surrounding communities and precious estuaries and more. Allow no further waste until we have thoroughly tested and assured that there is no leakage.

I am writing you as a citizen concerned with the cleanup of Hanford, one of the most contaminated places in the world. The U.S. Department of Energy is proposing to double the amount of radioactive waste buried in unlined soil trenches at Hanford, which doubles the risk of more soil and groundwater contamination. You have failed to adequately address the human health and environmental impacts of adding this radioactive waste to Hanford in your *Solid Waste Environmental Impact Statement* (SW EIS). I urge you to redo your analysis and stop importing more waste until you have cleaned up the huge radioactive mess already contaminating the Columbia River at Hanford.

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locations increases the risk of accidents. The transportation risk of importing over 70,000 truckloads of radioactive waste, including dangerous plutonium-laden "transuranic waste," is not even considered in the SW EIS.

We are spending billions of dollars cleanup up the radioactive mess at Hanford. Why would we risk adding more waste to the already contaminated soil and groundwater? I ask again that you reconsider all the impacts to our region before making a decision based on a faulty analysis. The *Solid Waste Environmental Impact Statement* is utterly deficient. I encourage you to start over and provide me with complete information on all risks from importing and burying waste at Hanford. Until then, please stop burying radioactive waste in unlined soil trenches.

I would appreciate a complete response to my comments.

Sincerely,

MJ Brady

PS Your dept. needs to look into freezing the ground as at least a temporary solution. There are companies now with the ability to contain the waste by freezing the surrounding ground. The cost is less than many other proposals.

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**From:** ecarabroehe@hotmail.com  
**Sent:** Monday, August 12, 2002 7:11 PM  
**To:** solid\_waste\_eis\_-\_doe@rl.gov  
**Subject:** Stop importing waste to the Hanford Nuclear Reservation

Dear Mr. Collins,

1 I am deeply concerned with the polluting consequences resulting from the management of Hanford. I am shocked that on top of the dangers already imposed on the Columbia River and the human, animal, and plant communities that live in range of Hanford's ill effects, that the U.S. Department of Energy is proposing to double the amount of radioactive waste buried in unlined soil trenches at Hanford, which doubles the risk of more soil and groundwater contamination. My community and I understand that you have failed to adequately address the human health and environmental impacts of adding this radioactive waste to Hanford in your Solid Waste Environmental Impact Statement (SW EIS). It is urgent that you redo your analysis and stop importing more waste until you have cleaned up the huge radioactive mess already contaminating the Columbia River at Hanford.

The analysis of human health and environmental impacts in the SW EIS is lacking in several ways. Currently, Hanford receives waste from other Nuclear Weapons Plants, Labs and even private companies. This waste is dumped in unlined soil trenches with limited groundwater monitoring. Even our kitchen garbage cannot be buried like this! The SW EIS offers no alternative to line and monitor these trenches. Dumping more radioactive waste will contaminate groundwater flowing towards the Columbia River for "thousands of years." Also, the U.S. Department of Energy's proposal to greatly increase the waste coming to Hanford from these offsite locations increases the risk of accidents. The transportation risk of importing over 70,000 truckloads of radioactive waste, including dangerous plutonium-laden "transuranic waste," is not even considered in the SW EIS.

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I would appreciate a complete response to my comments.

Sincerely,

Cara Broeche Ballman  
Cara Ballman  
4315 N. 9th Ave  
Seattle, WA 98105

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**From:** jon.shields@quidnunc.net  
**Sent:** Monday, August 12, 2002 6:51 PM  
**To:** solid\_waste\_eis\_-\_doe@rl.gov  
**Subject:** Stop importing waste to the Hanford Nuclear Reservation

Dear Mr. Collins,

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I would appreciate a complete response to my comments.

1 | P.S. -- I am a human health toxicologist and risk assessor by profession. In the past, I was hired by the Washington Department of Ecology to conduct technical review of several Hanford cleanup documents. I was astonished at the extent of contamination, the utter lack of control on contaminant migration, and the utter denial of any serious problem on the part of the report authors, despite their having handed me literally hundreds of pages of evidence of widespread contamination. It was literally cartoonish (a la "The Simpsons", as in, look for "Blinky" the 3-eyed fish where the tritium plume meets the Columbia River).  
2 | Please re-evaluate and reject the lunacy of disposal of waste of any kind, let alone radioactive wastes, at an unlined facility.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Shields  
6312 40th Ave SW  
Seattle, WA 98136

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**From:** Brian Lacy [briandeanlacy@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 15, 2002 11:14 PM  
**To:** Mr. Michael Collins  
**Subject:** letter to encourage a diferent direction regarding Hanford

Michael Collins  
U.S. Department of Energy  
P.O. Box 550, A6-38  
Richland, WA 99352

Dear Mr. Collins,

I am writing you as a citizen living within a few miles of the Columbia River, and my concern with the cleanup of Hanford, one of the most contaminated places in the world. The U.S. Department of Energy is proposing to double the amount of radioactive waste buried in unlined soil trenches at Hanford, which doubles the risk of more soil and groundwater contamination. You have failed to adequately address the human health and environmental impacts of adding this radioactive waste to Hanford in your Solid Waste Environmental Impact Statement(SWEIS). I urge you to redo your analysis and stop importing more waste until you have cleaned up the huge radioactive mess already contaminating the Columbia River at Hanford.

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My family and 6 year old daughter Emma live

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1 | within 3 miles of the Columbia River. When we  
visit Kelly Point Park, at the confluence of the  
Willamette and Columbia, Emma often asks me to  
retell the story of Lewis and Clark's account of  
paddling these waters. What a time of thoughtful  
exploration. How shameful is our current  
situation, mocked all the more by being swayed by  
industry influence while slighting the  
recommendations of informed citizens and  
professional judgment.

2 | There's a burning rage inside me and my wife as  
we repeatedly deny our daughter's love of playing  
in the Columbia. And what of her children? I urge  
you to use your position of influence to craft a  
healthy and safe future. Far better to take some  
political risks today than risk condemning who  
knows how much of our precious planet's biome  
with seeping radioactive waste for a span of time  
we can not begin to comprehend.

I would appreciate a complete response to my  
comments.

Sincerely,

Brian Lacy  
5035 NE 23rd Ave  
Portland, OR 97211  
(503) 287-7322

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5035 NE 23rd Avenue  
Portland, OR 97211  
(503) 287-7322

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**From:** Khz1962@aol.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 17, 2002 5:36 PM  
**To:** solid\_waste\_eis\_-\_doe@rl.gov  
**Subject:** NO Truckloads of Nuclear Waste to Hanford --Time for Clean-up!

Michael Collins  
U.S. Department of Energy  
P.O. Box 550, A6-38  
Richland, WA 99352

Dear Mr. Collins:

I was one of the many people at the recent hearing at Seattle Mountaineers Club regarding Hanford and President Bush's plans to send 70,000 truckloads to bury in our still beautiful state of Washington. I truly feel bad for you that you are stuck with such a horrible job where you are forced to defend something so outrageously indefensible. I agree with the vast majority of the folks at the hearing: Trucking 70,000 truckloads of nuclear waste to dump in Hanford is a TERRIBLE idea for all of the reasons you heard loud and clear from us. Please tell your superiors and our foolish President Bush that Washingtonians will not sit back and let this extremely dangerous and poisonous deed be done to us. Many of us are willing to prevent the nuclear-waste-filled trucks from coming into our borders. Hanford is already a mess! When will the clean-up that was promised, and is being paid for by us tax-payers, be cleaned up? If we do NOT have the technology to safely deal with nuclear waste than we must STOP PRODUCING nuclear weapons, energy, and other nuclear materials that create this frightful poison! Nuclear power, nuclear weapons, and other nuclear technologies are NOT worth the tens of thousands of years of poisonous consequences to future generations who do NOT even have a say in the quality of their own lives. We have NO right to trash this planet if we say we love our children and grandchildren.

Now, here's the generic letter that I am in full agreement with:  
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in unlined soil trenches.

I would appreciate a complete response to my comments. I'm also hoping that your next job will be morally and emotionally rewarding for you. You seem like a very nice man who deserves a better job.

Sincerely,

Karen Hertz  
9908-A NE 190th St.  
Bothell, WA 98011  
(425) 485-9993  
khz1962@aol.com

"As a bee seeks nectar from all types of flowers, seek teachings everywhere. Like a deer that finds a quiet place to graze, seek seclusion to digest all that you have gathered. Like a mad one beyond all limits, go where you please and live like a lion completely free of all fear."  
-- Dzogchen Tantra

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**From:** Chuck Nafziger [canafziger@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 20, 2002 9:34 AM  
**To:** solid\_waste\_eis\_-\_doe@RL.gov  
**Subject:** Proposed new waste in unlined trenches

Michael Collins  
U.S. Department of Energy  
P.O. Box 550, A6-38  
Richland, WA 99352

Mr. Collins:

1 | I am sick of the way the U.S. Department of Energy continues to contaminate  
2 | Hanford in a way which damns the State of Washington while subsidizing the  
3 | waste generators. Why not clean up the present mess before accepting more  
waste? Why not show that you are capable of responsibly dealing with  
current problems before accepting more? The leaky mess at Hanford that is  
contaminating a pristine stretch of the Columbia is testimony that you  
continually lie about your abilities, your past, and the future of this dump  
which happens to be on the states most important waterway. How do you sleep  
at night? Do you take your kids to work on occasion and let them ride with  
the fork lift drivers who work in the unsafe conditions that you routinely  
overlook?

Your department is proposing to double the amount of radioactive waste  
buried in unlined soil trenches at Hanford, which doubles the risk of more  
soil and groundwater contamination. You have failed to adequately address  
the human health and environmental impacts of adding this radioactive waste  
to Hanford in your Solid Waste Environmental Impact Statement (SWEIS). I urge  
you to redo your analysis and stop importing more waste until you have  
cleaned up the huge radioactive mess already contaminating the Columbia  
River at Hanford.

The analysis of human health and environmental impacts in the SW EIS is  
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We are spending billions of dollars cleanup up the radioactive mess at  
Hanford. Why would we risk adding more waste to the already contaminated  
soil and groundwater? I ask again that you reconsider all the impacts to our  
region before making a decision based on a faulty analysis. The Solid Waste  
Environmental Impact Statement is utterly deficient. I encourage you to  
start over and provide me with complete information on all risks from  
importing and burying waste at Hanford. Until then, please stop burying

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radioactive waste in unlined soil trenches.

I would appreciate a complete response to my comments.

Sincerely,

Charles A Nafziger  
3030 NW 66th St.  
Seattle, WA 98117

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Katherine Hull [mailto:Kat\_Hul@msn.com]

**Sent:** Wednesday, August 28, 2002 4:59 PM

**To:** solid\_waste\_eis\_-\_doe@RL.GOV

**Subject:**

Michael Collins  
U.S. Department of Energy  
P.O. Box 550, A6-38  
Richland, WA 99352

Dear Mr. Collins,

I am writing you as a citizen concerned with the cleanup of Hanford, one of the most contaminated places in the world. The U.S. Department of Energy is proposing to double the amount of radioactive waste buried in unlined soil trenches at Hanford, which doubles the risk of more soil and groundwater contamination. You have failed to adequately address the human health and environmental impacts of adding this radioactive waste to Hanford in your Solid Waste Environmental Impact Statement (SWEIS). I urge you to redo your analysis and **stop importing more waste until you have cleaned up the huge radioactive mess already contaminating the Columbia River at Hanford.**

The analysis of human health and environmental impacts in the SW EIS is lacking in several ways. Currently, Hanford receives waste from other Nuclear Weapons Plants, Labs and even private companies. This waste is dumped in unlined soil trenches with limited groundwater monitoring. **Even our kitchen garbage cannot be buried like this!** The SW EIS offers no alternative to line and monitor these trenches. Dumping more radioactive waste will contaminate groundwater flowing towards the Columbia River for "thousands of years." Also, the U.S. Department of Energy's proposal to greatly increase the waste coming to Hanford from these offsite locations increases the risk of accidents. The transportation risk of importing over 70,000 truckloads of radioactive waste, including dangerous plutonium-laden "transuranic waste," is not even considered in the SW EIS.

We are spending billions of dollars cleaning up the radioactive mess at Hanford. Why would we risk adding more waste to the already contaminated soil and groundwater? I ask again that you reconsider all

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the impacts to our region before making a decision based on a faulty analysis. The Solid Waste Environmental Impact Statement is utterly deficient. I encourage you to start over and provide me with complete information on all risks from importing and burying waste at Hanford. Until then, please stop burying radioactive waste in unlined soil trenches.

1 If the present administration is truly concerned with "evil-doers" it seems to me that at least as much money should be spent on problems within our own borders as is being spend on the "War Against Terrorism". Isn't radioactive waste being slowly leached into our ground water but another form of "biological warfare" for our future generations to be subjected to?

I would appreciate a complete response to my comments.

Sincerely,

Katherine Hull

Name: Katherine L Hull

Address: 2926 Ellis St. Bellingham

State: WA

Zip: 98225

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-----Original Message-----

From: Beth [mailto:beth@rockisland.com]  
Sent: Saturday, July 27, 2002 9:50 AM  
To: solid\_waste\_eis\_-\_doe@rl.gov  
Subject: Hanford concerns

Michael Collins  
U.S. Department of Energy  
P.O. Box 550, A6-38  
Richland, WA 99352

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The analysis of human health and environmental impacts in the SW EIS is lacking in several ways. Currently, Hanford receives waste from other Nuclear Weapons Plants, Labs and even private companies. This waste is dumped in unlined soil trenches with limited groundwater monitoring. Even our kitchen garbage cannot be buried like this! The SW EIS offers no alternative to line and monitor these trenches. Dumping more radioactive waste will contaminate groundwater flowing towards the Columbia River for "thousands of years." Also, the U.S. Department of Energy's proposal to greatly increase the waste coming to Hanford from these offsite locations increases the risk of accidents. The transportation risk of importing over 70,000 truckloads of radioactive waste, including dangerous plutonium-laden "transuranic waste," is not even considered in the SW EIS. We are spending billions of dollars cleanup up the radioactive mess at Hanford. Why would we risk adding more waste to the already contaminated soil and groundwater? I ask again that you reconsider all the impacts to our region before making a decision based on a faulty analysis. The Solid Waste Environmental Impact Statement is utterly deficient. I encourage you to start over and provide me with complete information on all risks from importing and burying waste at Hanford. Until then, please stop burying radioactive waste in unlined soil trenches.

1 | This is extremely important!!!! The future of our children depends on our doing the right thing. Nuclear contamination is NOT something we should take casually. The damage that could be done will destroy lives and create future problems of great magnitude. Please do the right thing now. Thank you.

I would appreciate a complete response to my comments.

Sincerely,

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**ME001-011**

-----Original Message-----

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1 | Why doesn't Hanford have comply to the existing laws that govern dumping of anything as does a company like Waste Management has to with its landfills?

**ME001-012**

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