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Dear Mr. Froede and Mr. Young:

TRANSMITTAL OF THE *REMEDIATION INVESTIGATION/FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE, COMPENSATION, AND LIABILITY ACT OAK RIDGE RESERVATION WASTE DISPOSAL, OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE* (DOE/OR-01-2535&D5)

Enclosed please find copies of the subject document for review and approval.

Submission of this document captures the culmination of several years of effort by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC). We believe the document provides a solid basis for initiating formal public dialogue on alternatives for disposal capacity to support completing the Oak Ridge Reservation cleanup.

The EPA, TDEC, and DOE have discussed proceeding with characterization efforts of a potential disposal site (and other technical activities) in parallel with formal public dialogue on the alternatives under consideration. While DOE expects that multiple safe alternatives are available, we recognize that final site selection decisions should be guided by results from continuing site characterization and facility design efforts. Under the Oak Ridge Reservation Federal Facility Agreement, these actions must be also be approved by EPA and TDEC.

Current plans are to provide a revised draft Proposed Plan, based on the findings of the enclosed Feasibility Study, for your review and approval in the next 30-45 days.

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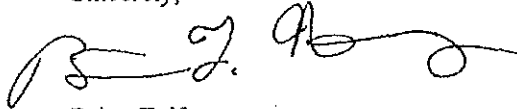
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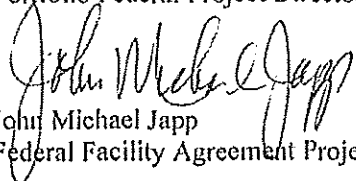
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If you have any questions or if we can be of further assistance, please contact John Michael Japp at (865) 241-6344 or Brian Henry at (865) 241-8340.

Sincerely,



Brian T. Henry
Portfolio Federal Project Director



John Michael Japp
Federal Facility Agreement Project Manager

Enclosures:

1. Document with responses to comments
2. Compact Disk

EPA: 1 copy of Enclosure 1, 2 copies of Enclosure 2
TDEC: 2 copies of Enclosure 1, 1 copy of Enclosure 2

cc w/enclosure 1:

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