



Department of Energy

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December 27, 2001

Mr. Luther Gibson
Chair
Oak Ridge Site Specific Advisory Board
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Dear Mr. Gibson:

RESPONSE TO RECOMMENDATION: DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY FISCAL YEAR 2002 - FISCAL YEAR 2004 BUDGET PUBLIC MEETING

Due to the unusual circumstances of the budget situation this year, the Department of Energy (DOE) has been unable to share with the Oak Ridge Site Specific Advisory Board (ORSSAB) the budget and prioritization figures as we would have liked. We are now ready to hold a public meeting on the Fiscal Years (FY) 2002, 2003, and 2004 budget and priorities. We would like to invite the ORSSAB's Environmental Restoration Committee to help us co-sponsor this meeting on Thursday, January 24, 2002.

It is important to the DOE to have public input about the prioritization of the cleanup activities planned for the Oak Ridge Reservation. As a result of this meeting, we would appreciate the ORSSAB's input on the proposed scheduled activities for FY 2002 and recommendations on the proposed work DOE plans to request to be budgeted in FY 2004.

Thank you for your continued advice and recommendations. If you have questions, you may contact Pat Halscy of my staff at 576-4025.

Sincerely,

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