



Many Voices Working for the Community

Oak Ridge Site Specific Advisory Board

October 10, 2002

Mr. Ralph Skinner
Long-Term Stewardship Program Manager
U.S. DOE Oak Ridge Operations
P.O. Box 2001, EM-913
Oak Ridge, TN 37831

Dear Mr. Skinner:

Comments on the Preface to the Site Transition Framework for Long-Term Stewardship

The Oak Ridge Site Specific Advisory Board has reviewed the subject document and has developed comments per your request. Generally, we find that the document is very well done and very well thought out. It does a good job taking into account many of the concerns we have expressed in the past regarding DOE's approach to long-term stewardship. We urge DOE to adhere to the principles and practices set forth therein.

Specific comments on the document are as follows:

- ✍ Preface, second paragraph, last sentence beginning: "Subsequent applications should be conducted and used..." The meaning of this statement is not clear. Please clarify.
- ✍ Page 2, II, A. "The site at the time of closure...." Add to the examples: Describe the initial risk at the site and the risk remaining following remediation. This will provide a reference baseline.
- ✍ Page 3, III, B. 1. Are you specifying the analytical methods to be used? Only the requirements should be specified. Changes in methodology should be allowed as long as performance is maintained.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this important document, and we look forward to continuing our work with you in the development of long-term-stewardship plans for the Oak Ridge Reservation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Mosby".

David N. Mosby
Chair

cc: Gerald Boyd, DOE-ORO
Martha Crosland, DOE-HQ
Pat Halsey, DOE-ORO
Connie Jones, EPA
John Owsley, TDEC
Greg Sullivan, DOE-HQ