



Many Voices Working for the Community

Oak Ridge Site Specific Advisory Board

July 12, 2007

Mr. Steve McCracken
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Dear Mr. McCracken:

Recommendation 157: Recommendation to Adopt 2007 Public Involvement Plan

As you know, both the Comprehensive Environmental Restoration, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 and the Federal Facility Agreement for the Oak Ridge Reservation require the U.S. Department of Energy Oak Ridge Office (DOE-ORO) to publish a Public Involvement Plan every three years. The purpose of the plan is to communicate to the public opportunities available for participation in decisions regarding remediation of contaminated areas on the Oak Ridge Reservation. The current Public Involvement Plan is due to be updated in 2007.

A draft plan was prepared for DOE-ORO by Bechtel Jacobs Company in March and was presented at a public meeting on April 5. The draft plan was also made available to the Stewardship Committee and the Public Outreach Committee of the Oak Ridge Site Specific Advisory Board (ORSSAB).

Written comments on the plan were incorporated into a second draft, which was presented at a public meeting on May 3.

The ORSSAB recommends that DOE adopt the Public Involvement Plan as presented at the May 3 meeting.

The ORSSAB greatly appreciates the opportunity to comment on the Public Involvement Plan, which is itself an example of DOE's commitment to involve the public in its work on the Oak Ridge Reservation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lance J. Mezga".

Lance J. Mezga, Chair

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