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March 21, 2007

Mr. Lance Mezga, Chair
Oak Ridge Site Specific Advisory Board
Post Office Box 2001, EM-91
Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37831

Dear Mr. Mezga:

RESPONSE TO RECOMMENDATION 152: RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE NOTICE OF CONTAMINATION AND FUTURE USE LIMITATIONS, AND INTENT TO PROVIDE NOTATIONS ON OWNERSHIP RECORDS IN MELTON VALLEY

Thank you for the "Recommendations On The Notice Of Contamination And Future Use Limitations, And Intent To Provide Notations On Ownership Records In Melton Valley" letter. The Department of Energy (DOE) considers the implementation of a viable Long-Term Stewardship (LTS) program that is well accepted by the citizens of this area vital to the successful completion of the cleanup program on the Oak Ridge Reservation. The DOE believes the use of appropriately crafted environmental notations in the local land use record offices is a critical element in the overall success of the LTS Program.

DOE generally agrees with the Board's recommendations regarding the structure for content of this notice, and in particular the improvement in "user friendly" language. It is our intent to publish the notice of contamination as soon as possible. However, the Board should be advised, that the dialogue between DOE and the Environmental Protection Agency continues on this matter. We will keep the stewardship committee aware of these discussions and the resultant notice.

If you have any questions concerning this plan, please call Ralph Skinner, LTS Program Manager for the Environmental Management Program at 576-7403.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. H. McCracken".

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