



Department of Energy

Washington, DC 20585

July 31, 2006

Mr. Kerry Trammell
Chair
Oak Ridge
Site Specific Advisory Board
P.O. Box 2001
200 Administration Rd
Oak Ridge, TN 37831

Dear Mr. Trammell:

This is in response to your June 19, 2006, letter regarding the fiscal year 2007 Congressional Budget Request for the Environmental Management (EM) program and your recommendation to involve Site Specific Advisory Boards (SSABs) in the development of future site environmental budget requests.

My staff is currently considering the request of the EM SSABs and will develop guidance for its site managers. At that time, the Environmental Management Office of Public and Intergovernmental Accountability will provide a copy of the guidance to you.

If you have any further questions, please contact me at (202) 586-7709 or Mr. Mark Frei, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Program Planning and Budget, at (202) 586-8754, or Ms. Melissa A. Nielson, Director, Office of Public and Intergovernmental Accountability, at (202) 586-0356.

Sincerely,

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

James A. Rispoli
Assistant Secretary for
Environmental Management

