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Ms. Judy Clayton, Chair
Paducah Citizens Advisory Board
111 Memorial Drive
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Dear Ms. Clayton:

**RESPONSE TO CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD CONSENSUS RECOMMENDATION
10-04: COMMENDATION ON RAPID ACTION AND COMMUNICATION
REGARDING ALLEGATIONS OF CONTAMINATES FROM PADUCAH GASEOUS
DIFFUSION PLANT AT HEATH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

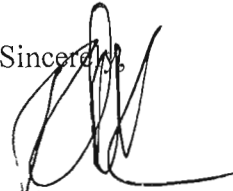
The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is in receipt of Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Consensus Recommendation 10-04 dated March 18, 2010. In this recommendation, the CAB commended DOE for its speedy response in ascertaining whether there were indeed contaminants contained within the soils at Heath Elementary School which might have originated at the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant. The CAB recommended that DOE compile the current data and data from all future surveying and sampling into retrievable form so that it will not be necessary to repeat any surveying and sampling.

DOE agrees with the CAB recommendations. DOE's contractor has finalized a report which documents the information generated as the result of the sampling event that took place at the Heath Elementary School December 19 – 20, 2009. In addition, the data generated from this sampling event will be uploaded into the Oak Ridge Environmental Information System (OREIS), which is used at Paducah to store environmental monitoring and environmental restoration sample results. The information in the OREIS system is retrievable and will include sample results and sample location coordinates, among other information. This will eliminate the need to repeat any surveys and/or samples at locations already completed.

DOE appreciates the CAB's commendation letter and continued efforts to provide recommendations that improve the effectiveness of its environmental management mission in Paducah.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Buz Smith at (270) 441-6821.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Reinhard Knerr', written over the word 'Sincerely,'.

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