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Mr. Richard Snyder, Chair  
Mr. Larry Parker, Vice-Chair  
Portsmouth EM Site Specific Advisory Board  
1862 Shyville Road  
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Dear Sirs:

### **RECOMMENDATION 10-06: WASTE DISPOSITION OF PROCESS BUILDING DECONTAMINATION AND DECOMMISSIONING PROJECT ACTIVITIES**

Reference: Letter from R. Snyder and L. Parker, "Recommendation 0-06: Waste Disposition of Process Building Decontamination and Decommissioning Project Activities," dated November 8, 2010

This correspondence is written in response to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Environmental Management (EM) Portsmouth Site Specific Advisory Board (SSAB) Recommendation 10-06. We accept the SSAB's recommendation and agree it is paramount to have thoughtful characterization of process building waste and rigorous examination of disposal options.

Your recommendation that DOE continue to conduct the full range of analyses of waste types and quantities, treatment methods (including recycling and waste minimization) and various disposition pathways is understood. As you are aware, Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA) documentation will be prepared for both Decontamination & Decommissioning (D&D) work and the waste disposition aspects of the EM mission at the Portsmouth Site.

The CERCLA review process is thorough and will provide for a full range of analysis of alternatives that exist throughout the projects' lifecycles, including the cost comparisons and other options that you have outlined. Further, the DOE Portsmouth Site has commissioned an internal Investment Recovery Integrated Project Team (IPT) to integrate reuse and recycle as waste alternatives in the D&D project where it is demonstrated to be beneficial.

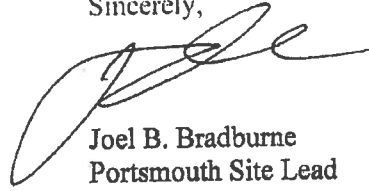
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I appreciate the work of the Portsmouth SSAB and look forward to working on this and other issues as we move forward.

Sincerely,

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