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Dear Sirs:

RECOMMENDATION 13-03: PORTSMOUTH ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SITE SPECIFIC ADVISORY BOARD REQUESTS DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY COORDINATE THE DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION OF TRAVELING DISPLAYS TO EDUCATE CITIZENS ON PLANT HISTORY

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 13-03. The Department accepts the SSAB's recommendation and will develop informative displays to be shown in each of the four counties surrounding the Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant (PORTS) facility, as outlined in the recommendation.

As you know, the Department is engaged in a rigorous effort to collect items of historical significance as the decontamination and decommissioning (D&D) project progresses at PORTS. These items are being set aside and cataloged as part of the Department's mitigation efforts related to historic preservation and, per your recommendation, DOE will display suitable items as part of the educational displays that will periodically rotate through the four counties.

The Department agrees with the Board that the PORTS facility played a key role in the nation's defense and nuclear energy production, and that the legacy of the work performed should be preserved. Further, the Department is actively pursuing other efforts related to the National Historic Preservation Act.

I want to again thank you for the work and the valuable input the board provides on a routine basis. This recommendation is another example of how the Portsmouth SSAB is making tangible contributions to the Department and community.

Sincerely,

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