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September 5, 2006

Ms. Rhonda Bogard, Vice Chair  
Oak Ridge Site Specific Advisory Board  
Post Office Box 2001, EM-91  
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Dear Ms. Bogard:

### **RESPONSE TO TWO BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS (145 AND 148) TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION PROGRAM**

- References:
1. Letter from Kerry Trammell to Steve McCracken, *Recommendation 145: Recommendation to Support above Target FY 2008 Budget Request*, dated May 11, 2006
  2. Letter from Rhonda Bogard to Steve McCracken, *Recommendation 148: Recommendation on the Integrated Facilities Disposition Project - 2015 Cleanup Initiative for the Oak Ridge Reservation*, dated July 13, 2006

We appreciate the supportive message received from the Board within these two recommendations. These recommendations reflect your understanding that in order to complete the cleanup work here additional funding will be necessary (Ref. 1) and additional Integrated Facilities Disposition Project (IFDP) facilities/scope will need to be addressed (Ref. 2).

The Department of Energy Environmental Management headquarters has been made aware that above target funding in fiscal year (FY) 2008 would be necessary to support the additional remediation projects attached to your letter. The above target budget request of \$275 million made this year for FY 2008 would adequately support these projects. Also covered in this request was funding to initiate the IFDP planning. The actual FY 2008 budget request information reflecting the above target request is currently embargoed information and details cannot be shared.

Thank you again for your support for our efforts to complete remediation work on the Oak Ridge Reservation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephen H. McCracken" followed by a flourish.

Stephen H. McCracken  
Assistant Manager  
for Environmental Management

cc's listed on next page

Ms. Rhonda Bogard

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