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Dear Mr. Petrie

**Federal Facility Agreement Appendix I-5 Information Assessment for Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, Tennessee**

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC), Division of Remediation-Oak Ridge Office (DoR-OR), has reviewed the above referenced submittal pursuant to the Federal Facility Agreement (FFA) for the Oak Ridge Reservation (ORR). The document was received on December 15, 2022.

Per the ORR FFA, assessment of potential environmental impacts from classified contaminants must be considered while proceeding through the FFA decision-making process for remediation. Based on documented, classified activities which have occurred at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) over the past half century, the tri-parties' commitment to satisfy the intent of the ORR FFA Appendix I-5 is vital to ensuring all information is appropriately considered within the decision-making process for remediation. To date, numerous interim decisions have occurred at ORNL, but final records of decision are still planned for both Bethel Valley and Melton Valley watersheds within ORNL. Further, those final decisions will likely lead to land transfers for beneficial reuse (e.g. brownfield development). Prior to completing those final RODs, the FFA parties have committed within the FFA to evaluate the potential effects classified information may have on FFA risk decisions and remedial actions.

Therefore, TDEC requests a classified briefing to discuss potential FFA characterization and remedial action impacts which may be encountered at ORNL. Based on those discussions, modifications may be warranted before finalizing this assessment. After conducting the necessary briefings, the FFA parties should continue to work together to document that all information necessary for effective decision making of remediation sites at ORNL has been considered.

Questions or comments concerning the contents of this letter should be directed to Randy Young at (865) 220-6584.

Sincerely  
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