



December 12, 2023

Mr. Roger Petrie Federal Facility Agreement Project Manager U.S. Department of Energy Oak Ridge Office for Environmental Management Post Office Box 2001 Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37831

Re: TDEC Approval Letter for the Federal Facility Agreement (FFA) Milestone Extension Request for Record of Decision (ROD) for Groundwater in the K-31/K-33 Area at the East Tennessee Technology Park (ETTP), Oak Ridge, Tennessee (DOE/OR/01-2950&D2) and Remedial Action Report (RAR)

Dear Mr. Petrie

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) Division of Remediation, Oak Ridge Office received the above referenced submittal on November 28, 2023. To support this request, TDEC reviewed additional schedule information provided by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) in a November 30, 2023, email to the FFA Project Managers and discussed the milestone extension request with the ETTP Groundwater Project Team on December 6, 2023. Both resources provided further clarification regarding collaborative efforts expected to be completed during the requested extension period.

The collaborative work scope addressed in the ROD D2 extension includes tri-party review of a Draft ROD D2 document prior to formal submittal and intentionally includes time required to address and completely resolve the associated ROD D1 comments prior to final submittal of the ROD D2. This collaborative work scope to document review and submittals are intended to support an approvable final ROD D2 document and were provided by DOE to support this requested schedule extension for execution. TDEC supports this plan and approves these requested extensions as follows:

Schedule and date sought to be extended: The current milestone date is as follows:

ROD D2: December 22, 2023 RAR D1: September 30, 2024

## Length of extension sought:

ROD D2: 133 days RAR D1: 634 days

**New Milestone Date:** The requested new milestone date is as follows:

ROD D2: May 3, 2024 RAR D1: June 26, 2026

While TDEC approves the milestone extension request for the ROD D2 and the Remedial Action Report D1 dates, the State also provides a formal reminder of the need for DOE to propose the remaining associated milestone date(s) for the subsequent K-31/33 Remedial Design Work Plans (RDWPs) and Remedial Action Work Plans (RAWPs).

If you have questions or comments concerning the contents of this letter, please feel free to reach out to Heather Lutz at <a href="mailto:heather.lutz@tn.gov">heather.lutz@tn.gov</a> or (865) 310-0474.

Sincerely

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