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Dear Mr. Petrie

Re: Explanation of Significant Differences for the Record of Decision for Interim Actions in Bethel Valley, Oak Ridge, Tennessee: Addition of Facilities (DOE/OR/01-2996&D1)

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC), Division of Remediation-Oak Ridge Office, received the above referenced submittal on March 4, 2025. The Explanation of Significant Differences (ESD) adds the demolition of multiple reactor and non-reactor facilities in Melton Valley (MV) to the Bethel Valley (BV) Record of Decision for Interim Actions (IROD). The document has been reviewed pursuant to Section XXX of the Federal Facility Agreement (FFA) for the Oak Ridge Reservation. The following comments are relevant to that review:

## **General Comment:**

A scoping meeting is requested to discuss the following concerns:

- Identification of which facilities are appropriate for inclusion into the BV IROD;
- · Addition of those facilities into Appendix C of the FFA; and
- Characterization and remediation of soils and slabs associated with facilities outside of the MV IROD boundaries shown in Figure 2.

## Specific Comment:

Page 6, second and third bullets and Table A.1

Please revise Table A.1 to distinguish which Remedial Design Report/Remedial Action Work Plan (reactor vs. non-reactor) will address each facility.

This document has a review cycle protocol of 60 days. Questions or comments concerning the contents of this letter should be directed to Jessica Core at the above address or by phone at (865) 895-0795.

Sincerely

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