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Dear Ms. Jones and Mr. Young:

SUBMITTAL OF THE RECORD OF DECISION FOR COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE, COMPENSATION, AND LIABILITY ACT OAK RIDGE RESERVATION WASTE DISPOSAL AT THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT DISPOSAL FACILITY, OAK RIDGE, TENNESSEE (DOE/OR/01-2794&D1)

In accordance with the *Oak Ridge Reservation Federal Facility Agreement*, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) submits the subject Record of Decision (ROD) for your review and comment. This submittal fulfills the Federal Facility Agreement (FFA) Appendix E milestone for transmittal of this document by July 12, 2021. Also provided is the Administrative Record Index File that lists those documents and records referenced by the FFA parties in support of the decision, for your review and comment. DOE requests the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation parties make every attempt to meet the FFA two-month duration for review of a ROD.

To support an expedited review and/or response period, DOE proposes the FFA parties begin work immediately, through the ROD Project Team, to address the Applicable or Relevant and Appropriate Requirements and/or the Waste Acceptance Criteria, if the FFA parties have comments on either of these two specific elements of the ROD.

Radiological discharge limits, as acknowledged in the Dispute Resolution Decision rendered by the EPA Administrator on December 31, 2020, are currently being determined in parallel with this ROD submittal. It is expected that those limits will be completed in a timely manner and included in the second and final version of the ROD submitted for approval.

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DOE looks forward to resolving any outstanding issues with this first version of the ROD as expeditiously as possible and submitting a final second version of the ROD for FFA approval. This approval will allow progress to begin on the field efforts to answer the EPA and State's concerns on groundwater levels at the site, and complete design of the facility accordingly.

If you have any questions or if we can be of further assistance, please contact Roger Petrie at (865) 316-4063 or Brian Henry at (865) 241-8340.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures:

1. Record of Decision
2. Index File

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