

## **Department of Energy**

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Ms. Maggie Owen, Chair Oak Ridge Site Specific Advisory Board P.O. Box 2001 Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37831

Dear Ms. Owen:

RESPONSE TO SITE SPECIFIC ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDATION 208: RECOMMENDATION FOR DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY TO USE WHITE PAPER ON ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT'S CHALLENGES ON THE OAK RIDGE RESERVATION

Reference: January 12, 2012 Letter from Maggie Owen to Susan Cange, Recommendation 208: Recommendation for DOE to Use White Paper on Environmental Management's Challenge on the Oak Ridge Reservation

Thank you for your recent recommendation regarding the white paper "Balancing Environmental Management Challenges with the Complexity of the Oak Ridge Reservation" prepared by the Board. The paper provides a concise assessment of the challenges associated with the environmental management mission in Oak Ridge. Concepts captured by the paper align with the rationale being advanced by Oak Ridge Environmental Management representatives for completion of Oak Ridge Reservation cleanup. I suggest incorporation of this white paper into public information tools developed by the Oak Ridge Site Specific Advisory Board, such as the Board's website.

If you have questions or if we can be of any further assistance, please contact me at (865) 576-0742, or Dave Adler at (865) 576-4094.

Sincerely,

Susan M. Cange, Acting Manager

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RESPONSE TO YOUR LETTER DATED JANUARY 12, 2012, RECOMMENDATION 208: RECOMMENDATION FOR DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY TO USE WHITE PAPER ON ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT'S CHALLENGES ON THE OAK RIDGE RESERVATION

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