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Ms. Renie Barger, Chair  
Paducah Citizens Advisory Board  
111 Memorial Drive  
Paducah, Kentucky 42001

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Dear Ms. Barger:

### **RESPONSE TO CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDATION 16-01: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY FUNDING PRIORITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2018 BUDGET**

Reference: Letter from R. Barger to J. Woodard, "Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant (PGDP) Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Consensus Recommendation 16-01," dated March 21, 2015 [sic]

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) received the Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Recommendation 16-01 (Reference) recommending that DOE fully fund the draft list of 2018 Integrated Priorities Listing (IPL) activities; maintain an appropriate annual funding level equal to the fiscal year (FY) 2014 enacted level of \$322 million, adjusted for inflation, in future budget requests; and ensure that throughout the myriad of contracting scenarios, the current deactivation work continue seamlessly at the Paducah site.

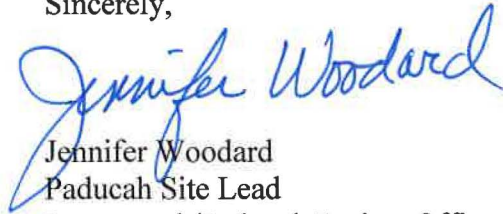
DOE appreciates the CAB's support of the FY 2018 IPL that allows DOE to maintain base operations, as well as meet our current enforceable milestones. DOE will forward your recommendation to DOE Environmental Management for additional funding considerations.

DOE shares your desire to seamlessly maintain work during contract changes. It is standard procurement language in DOE contracts with ongoing scope to include a continuity of operations clause, requiring a contractor to plan and execute a strategy to transition project activities without disruption.

DOE looks forward to ongoing discussions with the CAB as we plan for the cleanup mission at the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Buz Smith at (270) 441-6821.

Sincerely,



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