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Mr. Richard Snyder, Co-Chair
Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant
Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board
EHI Consultants, Inc.
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Dear Mr. Snyder:

Thank you very much for your May 21, 2009, letter welcoming me as Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management. It is a great honor to continue my work in this office and to continue my relationship with the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB).

Because of my past service and your ongoing commitment, we all hit the ground running with regard to collaboration on cleanup activities at the sites. As I said at your meeting in March, you are truly valuable with the local perspective that you provide, and I am pleased to provide the example of the EM SSAB to other Government officials who express interest in receiving more public input. Through your recommendations you provide an important public service to the EM program and to your fellow citizens.

My commitment to the EM SSAB is strong and includes the timely sharing of information with the local boards. I look forward to continuing our rich and productive dialogue and to hearing the various perspectives that you bring from your boards and communities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Inés R. Triay".

Inés R. Triay
Assistant Secretary for
Environmental Management

