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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION**

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Mr. Brian Henry
Portfolio Federal Projector Director
Y-12 National Security Complex Projects
Oak Ridge Office of Environmental Management
U.S. Department of Energy
P.O. Box 2001
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Dear Mr. Henry

**Treatment of Mercury-Bearing Mixed Waste, Treatment Technologies and Timeline,
Oak Ridge, Tennessee**

As per section 2.8.5.1 of the Site Treatment Plan (STP) for Mixed Waste on the U.S Department of Energy (DOE)'s Oak Ridge Reservation (ORR), the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC)'s divisions of Remediation and Solid Waste Management submit the request for your concurrence for a further 90-day extension of the review time of the subject matter document, i.e., until April 22, 2021.

A substantial quantity of mercury-bearing mixed-waste is expected to be generated on the ORR. As such, this will continue to be one of the high priority areas at TDEC. Discussions on this very topic between the staff from the upper management of our respective organizations are ongoing. To continue to accommodate them in their engagement in the hope of eventually resolving any remaining differences, we believe this request to be prudent and appropriate.

TDEC values the longstanding spirit of cooperation with DOE on STP. Thank you, in advance, for your understanding.

If we can be of assistance on this or a related matter, please do not hesitate to contact either Revendra Awasthi at Revendra.Awasthi@tn.gov 865-594-5468; or Ashwin Brahmbhatt at Ashwin.brahmbhatt@tn.gov 865-220-6560.

Sincerely

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