

May 22, 2023

Mr. William (Ike) White
Senior Advisor
Office of Environmental Management
U.S. Department of Energy
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Washington, DC 20585


Dear Mr. White,

On behalf of the Environmental Management Advisory Board (EMAB), it is our privilege to provide you with a final report in response to the charge regarding the Hanford Tank Waste Roadmap.

The Environmental Management program has made significant progress over the past several decades in cleaning up legacy waste and closing many of its formerly utilized sites. Some of the most vexing challenges that remain, such as the Hanford tank treatment mission, can benefit from investments in research and development as described in the roadmap. Such investments have the potential to shorten the long-time horizon associated with the current treatment schedule, estimated at more than half a century.

We sincerely hope you find the report meaningful and value adding in addressing the topics outlined in the charge. The Board would be happy to respond to any questions you and your team may have. We stand ready to support you as you continue to progress the important EM mission.

Regards,



Amy Fitzgerald
EMAB Vice-Chair

Attachment: EMAB Hanford Tank Waste Roadmap 2023