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Mr. Ben Peterson, Chair  
Paducah Citizens Advisory Board  
111 Memorial Drive  
Paducah, Kentucky 42001

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Dear Mr. Peterson:

### **RESPONSE TO CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDATION 15-04: REVIEW OF CONTRACTING PRACTICES FOR MAJOR CLEANUP ACTIVITIES**

Reference: Letter from B. Peterson to J. Woodard, "Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant (PGDP) Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Consensus Recommendation 15-04," dated July 17, 2015

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) received the Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Recommendation 15-04 (reference) recommending that DOE use the Energy Communities Alliance (ECA) document, "Changing Course: The Case for Sensible DOE Acquisition Reform" as the basis for further dialogue between all the parties affected by the current contracting practices, including the community and the CAB.

We appreciate your interest in DOE contracting strategies that support the cleanup mission at the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion site. Additionally, we have forwarded your recommendation to Jack Surash, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Acquisition and Project Management for Environmental Management. The Department will be responding to the ECA Report and we will incorporate any resulting direction into our future procurement activities.

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

Sincerely,

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