

Dear friend of U Dept. of Energy ...
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I wish to comment on the Environmental Impact
Statement for the proposed Y-12 National Security -
Complex.

I'm really concern about the mercury and how
harmful to the human being and all the living thing
The cancer in this country is very high, we should
not add more to the problems that already have.
So please stop the operation.

Sincerely,
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Comment noted. Volume I, Chapter 4 of the Y-12 SWEIS describes the current affected environment which includes the effects of past operations and environmental contamination. The Y-12 EM is currently conducting the Reduction of Mercury in Plant Effluents Project at Y-12. Two specific actions, Mercury in Soils and Bank Stabilization and components of the project. Section 3.2.2.3 of the Y-12 SWEIS identifies the ongoing EM restoration activities under No Action-Planning Basis Operation and the other alternatives. The Reduction of Mercury in Plant Effluents Project achieved a record low in August 1999 for the average mercury concentrations at Station 17. The radiological releases to the environment that could result from the proposed action or alternatives under normal operating conditions and various hypothetical accident scenarios are conservatively estimated in Volume 1, Chapter 5 of the Y-12 SWEIS. The potential impacts to the environment and the radiological doses and risk to the public from these releases are assessed and discussed in Section 5.12 and Section 5.14. The assumptions and methodology used for the assessment are described in detail in Volume II, Appendix D. As described in Chapter 5 of the SWEIS, the environmental impacts and the potential radiological dose to the public are well within the limits considered acceptable by the regulatory authorities.