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From: Mary Becker [g&mbecker@1400willow.com]
Sent: Friday, February 16, 2001 12:43 PM
To: Y12EIS
Subject: New plant at Oak Ridge TN

Dear Sir,
I am writing in strong opposition to construction of a bomb-making facility at Oak Ridge Tennessee or anywhere else at this time.

President Bush has told the American people that he has authorized a complete study of our military capacity. That study has just begun. I hope and trust that study will consider a wide variety of input, including the views of engineers, diplomats, politicians, ethicists, as well as military personnel, both current and retired.

It is disturbing to me that a new weapons systems might be authorized prior to the completion of that study. I urge you to take the time to wait for a full and complete study process before acting on any new weapons.

Very truly,
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Comment noted. In accordance with Section 91 of the *Atomic Energy Act*, DOE carries out its mission (i.e., atomic weapons activities) consistent with the consent of and direction from the President and Congress. This consent and direction are contained in the Nuclear Weapons Stockpile Memorandum, which is updated annually. The issue of whether DOE should produce nuclear weapons is beyond the scope of the Y-12 SWEIS.

The proposed action and alternatives analyzed in the Y-12 SWEIS address the continued operation of the assigned nuclear weapons stockpile management requirement of Y-12. There is no proposal to expand capabilities or to increase nuclear weapons production at Y-12.