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Dear Mr. Hartman,

I am writing to ask you to use your influence in preventing any legislation in Y-12. Indeed I strongly support using the work force there to clean up the environment of the area. This could provide many more jobs of a lasting nature than the proposed minuscule number of workers to maintain a new facility.

We (the United States) do not need any more bombs. We need to work for peace in our country & in our world - and in outer space too.

Please not more money spent on weapons of destruction. Feed & clothe the poor, give positions jobs with that money.

I count on you to do what is right & just for us all.

Sincerely
Helen Cullen

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Comment No. 1

Issue Code: 14

Over the past several years, DOE has had a very aggressive facility upgrade and clean-up program and has worked with EPA, the states, stakeholders, and the general public to clean up its facilities to acceptable levels. To date, DOE has completed numerous clean-up activities and is aggressively working toward the clean up of its remaining environmental problems. Actions taken to continue Y-12 weapons support missions, and construction and operations of the HEU Materials and the Special Materials missions would not be inconsistent with nor impact ongoing clean-up activities.

Comment No. 2

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There are no plans or proposals in the Y-12 SWEIS to build more bombs. 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.

Section 2.2.2.2 of the SWEIS describes the ongoing environmental restoration activities at Y-12 and the ORR. These activities would not change under any of the alternatives analyzed in the Y-12 SWEIS.