

John Batherson

From: John Batherson
Sent: Friday, September 28, 2012 3:10 PM
To: 'Terry Frank'
Cc: Rick Schapira
Subject: RE: Request to Enter Letter for DNFSB Hearing

Mayor Frank, thank you for your interest in the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board's public hearing on October 2, 2012, concerning the UPF project. Your letter will be entered into the public hearing record. We encourage you or your representative to sign up to speak as a member of the public and read the letter into the hearing record as well. I look forward to meeting you at the hearing.

Regards,

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From: Terry Frank [<mailto:tfrank@andersontn.org>]
Sent: Friday, September 28, 2012 2:50 PM
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Subject: Request to Enter Letter for DNFSB Hearing

Hi John,

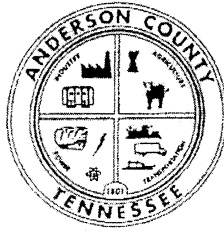
I called earlier today regarding my desire to enter my letter on the UPF project into the official record as part of the hearings scheduled for next week.

I was told I did not need to read them at the hearing for them to be entered, but if you feel I should or that I need to, I am more than happy to do read them at the hearing. I have plans on my calendar to attend the hearing whether I read my letter aloud or not.

I hope you have a wonderful weekend.

My very best to you,

Terry Frank
Anderson County Mayor



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COUNTY MAYOR

September 28, 2012

Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board
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Dear Board Members:

I am submitting this letter in response to the DNFSB public hearing scheduled for October 2, 2012 in Knoxville, Tennessee and request it be included in the hearing record. As the Anderson County Mayor and lifelong Anderson County resident, I have a working knowledge of the issues associated with the Oak Ridge Department of Energy reservation and the Y-12 National Security Complex (Y-12) which is located entirely in Anderson County.

This letter conveys my full and unequivocal support of the construction of the new Uranium Processing Facility (UPF) at the Y-12 complex.

The Y-12 Complex plays a very critical role in our national security, a role I have been proud of and comforted by since my days as a young girl growing up in Oliver Springs. The missions performed at Y-12 involve much more than maintaining the nation's nuclear stockpile. Work completed in UPF will include dismantlement and disposition, material recycle and recovery, nuclear nonproliferation, producing fuel for naval reactors, and supplying medical isotopes that are used in cancer treatment.

The current Y-12 facilities involved in processing uranium are structurally weak and lack modern safety features. Frankly, the structures built in the 1940's require extensive maintenance and repair and are simply not viable to be a modern nuclear facility. The new UPF will offer a greatly improved health and safety work environment for our citizens working here.

A new UPF also makes economic sense. The current facilities have outlived their expected lifespan and are costly to operate and maintain. For this reason, UPF funding should not be delayed. After UPF construction, Y-12 will continue the nation's uranium processing and national security mission in less space with lower cost. In addition to operating at less cost, other benefits of the UPF project include reliable, long-term uranium processing capability, improved

security posture, improved health and safety, and an attractive return on investment for the US taxpayer.

Cost, security, and safety are all high priorities for me, and the acumen of Mr. John Eschenberg only furthers my confidence and support of the project.

I support the construction of the new UPF for the critical national security of our country as well as for the benefit of the workforce from Anderson and our surrounding counties.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Terry Frank".

Terry Frank
Anderson County Mayor

Cc: Dr. Steven Chu, Secretary U.S. Department of Energy
Thomas D'Agostino, Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration