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## Recommendation: 09-02

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### Title: Continued DOE Support of the Scenario Planning Project

#### BACKGROUND

“The Politics of Cleanup” document provided by DOE emphasized the importance of having a common shared vision by the various stakeholders to enhance reaching a viable end state for DOE facilities. With the encouragement of DOE and the support of its End Use/Long-Term Stewardship committee, the Paducah Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) initiated use of Scenario Planning in 2008 to identify and evaluate potential end states for the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant (PGDP). The Scenario Planning process has been shown to:

1. Broaden stakeholder involvement,
2. Explore and synergize new ideas with existing realities, and
3. Help communities track and influence important events that lead to different future scenarios.

Scenario Planning has been incorporated into the FY 2009 CAB Work Plan. One meeting has been held with a potential recreational end state focus group. This exchange provided some ideas and information that had previously not been considered by the CAB End Use/Long-Term Stewardship committee. Discussions with additional focus groups will be held and the initial writing of potential scenarios will be conducted by fall 2009. Near term objectives of the Scenario Planning process are to:

- Envision and describe possible land uses at the 3,420-acre site 25 to 30 years from today.
- Identify groups, activities, and/or milestones required to realize the envisioned land uses.

Although an aggressive schedule is being pursued, the CAB believes this is necessary in order to define goals for current site remediation decisions. DOE's Portsmouth/Paducah Project Office (PPPO) has provided support for the CAB Scenario Planning effort by providing training opportunities and through the direct involvement of the Deputy Designated Federal Official (DDFO) in identifying stakeholder groups and participation in discussions. However, in order to successfully employ Scenario Planning, the CAB needs continued DOE support.

#### RECOMMENDATION

**The Paducah CAB recommends that DOE continue to support the CAB in evaluating potential future uses of the PGDP site through the process of Scenario Planning in the following ways:**

1. **Provide a DOE staff person whose responsibility would include acting as the contact person for CAB scenario planning efforts.**
2. **Provide staff support to complete this timetable.**
3. **Provide support for Scenario Planning follow-up including additional stakeholder and public input and identification of trend indicators which track events leading to the various scenarios.**