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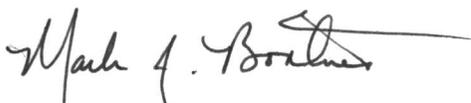
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Dear Vendor:

UT-Battelle, LLC and Oak Ridge National Laboratory Letter of Credit

Effective April 1, 2000, UT-Battelle, LLC became the managing and operating contractor for the U.S. Department of Energy's Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) located in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. As a prime contractor to the Department of Energy, UT-Battelle, LLC was awarded a letter of credit with the United States Treasury Department and uses this letter of credit to fund ORNL's daily cash and payment requirements. All payments and cash requests are guaranteed by the United States Treasury and are transacted through SunTrust Bank, N.A. If you have questions related to the UT-Battelle, LLC letter of credit with the U.S. Treasury Department in support of ORNL operations, please call me at (865) 576-1436.

Sincerely,



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