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Designation Investigations for Warehouses in Oak Ridge

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This letter is to formally task ORNL to include Manhattan Engineer District Warehouses 2 and 3, in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, on your list of sites requiring preliminary investigations. Based on analyses of records collected by Aerospace, these warehouses appear to be the ones used for storage of pitchblende ore during the 1940's.

The Manhattan District History documents that some of the high grade African ores were stored in Oak Ridge but does not provide the locations. Aerospace's records reviews identified only a few documents that discuss the storage of the residues and the possible location. These records are attached for your information. The suspected location of the warehouses is marked on the map identified as Table 1.

ORNL has conducted scanning van surveys in this general area and some follow-up ground surveys were completed by ORAU; however, it does not appear that either of these efforts covered the specific locations of the warehouses.

Include this investigation as one of the higher priority new site investigations scheduled for FY 1987 or 1988 and provide this office with your recommendation regarding the need for a designation survey. If you have any questions on the historical information for this site contact Charlie Young, (202) 488-6319, or Sue Jones, (202) 488-6322, at Aerospace.

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