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Dear Dennis,

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For all of the Hanford workers who were recruited or volunteered to uproot their lives and come to work on the secret Manhattan Project, and stayed to see the culmination of how Nuclear Energy was first implemented and it's formation of the Atomic Bomb that ended World War II, I would encourage the support of Alternative #3 to preserve the B Reactor and ready it to be made into a museum. I have belonged to the B Reactor Museum Association for this reason.

I started working at the B Reactor in February 1944, coming here from Remington Arms DuPont Plant in Independence, Mo., and resigned in 1966 to start a Powder Metallurgy Plant in North Richland. My employment also included working for General Electric and Battelle.

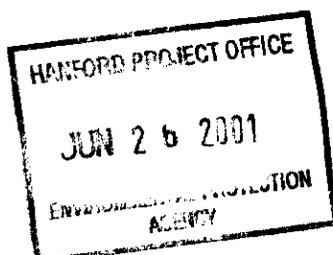
I worked as an engineer in the Maintenance Department at the "B" Reactor and was assigned to the final assembly of the Reactor itself, and I was present when the reactor first went critical.

Yours truly,

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