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To: TVA Board Community Relations, Land Policy  
400 W. Summit Hill Dr.  
Knoxville, TN 37902-1499

RE: Proposed Policy Governing the Tennessee Valley Authority's Retention, Disposal  
and Planning of Interests in Real Property

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of The Freshwater Mollusk Conservation Society (referred to hereafter as FMCS), I am writing in support of proposed changes to the land transfer policy of the Tennessee Valley Authority. We believe that in not transferring lands directly into open development markets can provide some measure of environmental quality. In particular, FMCS supports a policy that encourages recreational, rather than simply industrial, commercial, or residential, use of property. Generating a greater connection with the environment is an important measure towards greater stewardship and protection of natural resources by the general public. By instituting a policy of maintaining some of the proposed properties in a recreational use state, TVA is helping promote the conservation of green space, which is an asset to communities in the region and aquatic species that depend on the maintenance of good water quality.

Thank you for all considerations in this matter.

Your Truly,

President, FMCS