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## Developer Selected for New SRNL Advanced Manufacturing Collaborative

AIKEN, S.C. (March 24, 2016) – The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is one step closer to the creation of an Advanced Manufacturing Collaborative for the Savannah River National Laboratory (SRNL). Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, LLC (SRNS), as operator of SRNL, has selected the Aiken Advanced Manufacturing Partnership (AAMP), LLC to develop a proposal for space for the Collaborative. The proposed location is planned for the University of South Carolina Aiken campus in Aiken, SC. This new laboratory space will help promote partnerships between Industry, Academia, and Government in the creation and implementation of new technology. The property to be developed is currently owned by the university and is located near SRNL.

The proposed 70,000 square foot space will include chemistry labs, engineering fabrication labs, high bay and industrial work space, and staff offices. AAMP, LLC will provide and maintain the laboratory and office space, and SRNS will enter into a subsequent lease agreement for use of the facility. This innovative public/private approach will allow the DOE and SRNL to expand capabilities through private financing and collaboration on scientific and technological innovation.

“The Department of Energy is pleased with this new opportunity in Advanced Manufacturing. It is our duty to find smarter and safer ways to address the Environmental Management, National Security, and Clean Energy needs of our nation. It is only through the combined use of new technologies that these duties can be fulfilled,” said Savannah River Site Manager Jack Craig.

“We at SRNL look forward to creating a more open environment for collaborative research and development in areas such as process intensification, smart manufacturing, cyber, virtual simulation, and advanced robotics. This space will allow SRNL to build the future of



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innovation. By thinking creatively, we can more effectively partner our talent with industry and academia to address a multitude of technology needs,” said SRNL Laboratory Director Dr. Terry Michalske.

The Savannah River National Laboratory is a multi-program applied research and development laboratory for the U.S. Department of Energy. SRNL applies state-of-the-art science and engineering to provide practical, high-value, cost-effective solutions for our nation’s environmental cleanup, nuclear security and clean energy challenges. For more information, visit <http://srnl.doe.gov>

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