



SRS Citizen's Advisory Board

Recommendation No. 14

November 28, 1995

High Level Waste Disposal

One of the concerns held by members of the Savannah River Site Citizens Advisory Board and the public is the ultimate disposition of SRS vitrified high-level wastes (HLW). The CAB understands that SRS plans to ship its vitrified HLW to the underground Federal Repository (e.g., the Yucca Mountain study area, in Nevada). Our concerns, however, are increased by information that the repository shipment dates are uncertain even though storage at SRS in the glass waste storage building is for a temporary period of time. Therefore, the CAB recommends:

1. That after negotiations with Department of Energy-Savannah River, the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, and the Environmental Protection Agency, and following review with the CAB, the schedules for the removal of vitrified HLW from SRS to the Federal Repository be published and included in the new environmental impact statement (EIS) at Yucca Mountain.
2. That removal of the vitrified HLW from SRS to the Federal Repository be expedited with the goal of completion by 2028.
3. That the new Yucca Mountain EIS address not only the environmental issues related to operating the Federal Repository but also those associated with not operating it (i.e., environmental impacts at SRS).
4. That our concerns be addressed in the current Federal Repository environmental impact scoping process presently underway (i.e., send a copy of our Motion to the Yucca Mountain Site Characterization Office before the scoping deadline in December 15, 1995).

Agency Responses

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