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Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, LLC Celebrates its Two-Year Anniversary at Savannah River Site

AIKEN, S.C. (August 2, 2010) – August marks the two-year anniversary of Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, LLC (SRNS). In 2008, SRNS became the management and operating contractor at the Department of Energy's Savannah River Site (SRS).

"SRNS's anniversary is exciting for me because I get a chance to applaud over 6,000 dedicated SRNS employees and highlight the many successes they've contributed to in the past two years. For SRNS, this is a time to celebrate our company while giving thanks to the people and communities that have helped us thrive," said Garry Flowers, SRNS president and CEO.

In the past two years, SRNS received eight awards for safe performance. SRNS operations and subcontractor personnel have surpassed 11 million hours and SRNS construction employees have surpassed 24 million hours without a lost workday due to injury.

Since August 2008, SRNS has achieved many milestones. The FBI's evidence examination facilities at the Savannah River National Laboratory (SRNL) expanded to enhance the FBI's ability to conduct forensic examination of radiologically contaminated evidence, the SRS public tour program that had ended after September 11, 2001, was reinstated and DOE selected a team led by SRNL as the virtual Hydrogen Storage Engineering Center of Excellence to support the Advanced Energy Initiative to reduce the nation's dependence on foreign energy sources.

"We at SRNS are proud of the many, varied accomplishments we have been able to lead SRS to. Amazing things can be achieved through dedicated management, a talented work force and a well-equipped site. Our successes in the past two years are evidence of that," said Fred Dohse, SRNS Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer.

SRS was recognized as a benchmark federal facility for nuclear operations, materials production and nuclear safety. The last of SRS's and the U.S.'s neptunium inventory was stabilized and shipped to the Idaho National

Laboratory, where it will be used to produce a source of power for NASA. Also, SRNS completed its commitment to the Tennessee Valley Authority for a low-enriched uranium solution that will be converted into commercial reactor fuel. The project saved taxpayers an estimated \$750 million in storage and disposal costs and supports efforts to reduce dependency on coal-produced electricity.

SRS created and retained about 3,000 jobs using part of the \$1.615 billion in funding under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) for accelerated cleanup work at the site. Small Businesses were awarded \$218 million in contracts, with \$124 million awarded within the CSRA.

“The Business Process Modernization Project (BPMP) has been an important part of SRNS’s efforts to bring site practices up-to-date, to increase transparency and efficiency and to surpass industry standards. The project implements an integrated suite of commercial, off-the-shelf software to streamline current SRS business processes and software applications by reducing operating costs, facilitating day-to-day management, improving work flows and replacing obsolete applications,” said Flowers.

On August 1, Habitat for Humanity dedicated their first home in Jackson, S.C. to kick off the SRNS anniversary celebration. SRNS gave \$50,000 to fully fund the building of the home. To provide the manpower, nearly 400 SRNS employees participated in the construction.

“SRS has played a critical role in the surrounding area for over 50 years and SRNS is proud to have contributed to that reputation in the past two. This has been a great place to do business; the nearby communities have provided us with a talented workforce and accepted our company from the beginning. So far, SRNS has donated over \$1.8 million to give back to these neighbors,” said Clif Webb, SRNS vice president of Public Affairs.

Webb said that SRNS has also worked with the Heart Association, United Way and other organizations in philanthropic efforts. SRS collected \$104,000, 115 percent of their goal, during the Heart Walk and SRNS presented a \$25,000 corporate check to the Heart Association. In 2009, SRNS and SRS employees donated \$2 million during the annual Employee United Way Campaign.

SRNS has spent more than \$2.1 billion in the local community during its first two years at the Site. The bulk of the spending – nearly \$1.5 billion, or more than 70 percent – has been to local residents in the form of payroll, Federal, State and FICA taxes and medical and dental benefits. The remaining \$623 million was in procurement commitments to companies in the five local counties of Aiken, Barnwell, Allendale, Richmond and Columbia. These totals include Recovery Act spending.

SRNS plans to celebrate the two-year anniversary throughout August, including several special recognition activities for employees.

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