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Mr. Jack Craig, Site Manager U.S. Department of Energy Savannah River Operations Office P. O. Box A Aiken, South Carolina 29802

Dear Mr. Craig,

The Savannah River Site Citizens Advisory Board appreciates the opportunity to provide input to the site's prioritized activities for FY 2019. As in the past, the high level liquid waste management program remains our highest priority. The budget request for FY 2019 should reflect this priority and should be at a level that guarantees compliance with all state and federal agreements and even accelerate tank closures. Any funding short of this would be a great concern to us. Thus, as the budget process progresses, we will closely watch the level of funding for PBS 14C, Radioactive Liquid Tank Waste Stabilization and Disposition.

In regard to all Environmental Management mission activities, recommended priorities are as follows:

- 1. PBS 14C, Radioactive Liquid Tank Waste Stabilization and Disposition;
- 2. PBS 11C, Plutonium down-blend processing for disposition to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant;
- 3. PBS 11C, Keep spent nuclear fuel within the target range to work off backlog;
- 4. PBS 11C, Spent Nuclear Fuel down-blend processing for disposition to the Tennessee Valley Authority; and
- 5. PBS 41, 235-F Risk Reduction Project.

To reiterate, <u>our highest budget priority for FY 2019 is PBS 14C</u>, <u>Radioactive Liquid Tank Waste Stabilization and Disposition</u>, followed by PBS 11C, NM Stabilization and Disposition, with activities prioritized as shown directly above.

In addition, the SRS CAB has other concerns we would like to see addressed:

- 1. PBS 202, Support improvements in infrastructure;
- 2. Maintain "min safe" for all activities;
- 3. PBS 20, Support increased security in all areas including adequate funding for cybersecurity; and
- 4. PBS 100, Reprioritize the CAB to the third priority within PBS 100.

We hope that our input is taken seriously as the budget request for the Savannah River Site is formulated for FY 2019.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Nina Spinelli, Chairperson SRS Citizens Advisory Board

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