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Mr. Greg Rudy, Manager
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Dear Mr. Rudy:

The SRS Citizens Advisory Board reviewed the L and P Area Bingham Pump Outage Pits Proposed Plan and although we are not submitting comments as a formal recommendation, we did want to provide some feedback regarding this cleanup effort.

The CAB is very pleased to see the new application of the ASCAD [TM] process to focus on a standardized design for the studies and to streamline the regulatory documentation leading up to a remedial decision on multiple operational units. Along with the new Plug-in-ROD process now being deployed at SRS, ASCAD will save valuable time and scarce taxpayer dollars. Therefore, we encourage future applications of the ASCAD [TM] process.

The Remedial Action selected in the Proposed Plan is Institutional Controls (access and deed restrictions/notifications). We are aware, this selection was made because the areas are adjacent to industrial zones (nuclear), have use-restrictions similar to an industrial zone, and have low-risk debris already buried at a sufficient depth. For this reason, the Board concurs with this action and agrees that SRS should proceed with the remedial action selected in the Proposed Plan.

At our July meeting, we also requested by November 15, 1999, an updated list of all potential sites where ASCAD [TM] could be applied. We have no doubt this information will be provided to our ER&WM Subcommittee.

Thank you for your continued support of public involvement in important decisions at SRS.

Sincerely,



Ann Loadholt
Chairperson

cc: Tom Heenan