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September 29, 2003

Mr. Jeff Allison, Manager
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Subject: Cobalt-60 and Thulium-170 Amended Record of Decision (ROD)

Dear Mr. Allison:

On September 16, 2003, a presentation was made to both the Nuclear Material and Waste Management Committees of the SRS CAB concerning the amended ROD that addresses the Cobalt-60 and Thulium-170 slugs disposition. This amended ROD will allow Savannah River Site (SRS) to dispose of the slugs in the E-Area Low Level Waste Facility. These items are not spent fuel and currently meet the E-Area waste acceptance criteria.

We would like to commend DOE and Westinghouse Savannah River Company (WSRC) for their creativity in using the E-Area Low Level Waste Facility for disposal of this material. Disposal at Savannah River also eliminates the cost and risk of off-site shipment and storage.

Sincerely,



Mr. Wade Waters
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