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Dr. David Moody, Site Manager U.S. Department of Energy Savannah River Operations Office P. O. Box A Aiken, SC 29802

Dear Dr. Moody:

The Savannah River Site Citizens Advisory Board appreciates the opportunity to provide input to the site's prioritized activities for FY 2016. As in the past, the high level liquid waste management program remains our highest priority. The budget request for FY 2016 should reflect this priority and should be at a level that guarantees compliance with all state and federal agreements so that all high level waste storage tanks are empty by 2028, per the Site Treatment Plan. Any funding short of this would be a great concern to us. Thus, as the budget is formulated, we will closely watch the level of funding for PBS-14C, Radioactive Liquid Tank Waste Stabilization and Disposition.

As for other Environmental Management mission activities, our second highest priority is PBS-11C, NM Stabilization and Disposition. This budget item includes several activities that we strongly support. We have ranked them in the following order:

- 1. Plutonium down-blend processing for disposition to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant;
- 2. 235-F Risk Reduction Project; and
- 3. Used Nuclear Fuel down-blend processing for disposition to the Tennessee Valley Authority.

To reiterate, <u>our highest budget priority for FY 2016 is PBS-14C</u>, <u>Radioactive Liquid Tank Waste</u> <u>Stabilization and Disposition</u>, followed by PBS-11C, NM Stabilization and Disposition, with activities prioritized as shown directly above.

We hope that our input is taken seriously as the budget request for the Savannah River Site is formulated for FY 2016.

Sincerely,

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