The Board is pleased the DOE-SR completed this year's Management Action Plan (MAP) (Rev. 4) in a timely fashion. As stated in past motions, the Board remains convinced that a strategy is important to the completion of cleanup and restoration activities on the schedule required by the Federal Facility Agreement. However, after completing our review of the MAP, the Board makes the following recommendations for next year's revision:

1. To indicate a consensus, the three agency directors should sign the first page of future versions of the MAP. Despite our motion last year, the MAP does not yet establish agency consensus on the remediation objectives at the Savannah River Site, particularly for the next phase of the F&H-Areas groundwater treatment project. The Board remains convinced that achieving consensus is essential to the successful remediation of individual projects and of the overall Site.
2. The document should be shortened. It should be a coordinated strategy document that reflects a policy consensus among the three agencies. Execution details should be referenced or cited.
3. Cleanup goals, objectives, assumptions, including land use, and the relationship between the MAP and the Federal Facility Implementation Plan (FIP) should be simply and clearly stated.
4. Metrics should be established that would make cost-benefit analyses a more realistic and effective part of the decision-making process.
5. Contrast (compare) the risks against the highest risks at the Site (e.g., High Level Wastes). The risks described in the MAP should distinguish, to the extent possible, remediation projects from each other and from waste management activities. The relative risks should be used to guide budgetary decisions.

Agency Responses

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