

Recommendation No. 85

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Public Hearings On Geologic Repository for the Disposal of Spent Nuclear Fuel And High Level Waste at Yucca Mountain Environmental Impact Statement

Background:

The United States geologic repository for High Level Waste (HLW) and Spent Nuclear Fuel (SNF) has been under consideration and various evaluations for years. The focus in recent years has been on Yucca Mountain at the Nevada Test Site north of Las Vegas, NV. Scoping meetings were held in 1995.

A draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is scheduled for publication in July 1999 followed by public hearings in Atlanta, GA in September 1999.

This repository is very important to the Savannah River Site because it is the place to which the SRS vitrified HLW and aluminum clad spent nuclear fuel will be sent for disposal. It is of high interest to SRS personnel and to local citizens.

Recommendation:

The Savannah River Site Citizens Advisory Board recommends that DOE hold an additional public hearing on this EIS in the Aiken, SC - Augusta, GA area.

Agency Responses