Mr. Gil Allensworth, Chairperson
Savannah River Site
Citizens Advisory Board
P.O. Box A
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Dear Mr. Allensworth:

SUBJECT: Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Recommendation Number 352 – Glass Waste Storage
(Your letter, dated 11/14/2017)

Thank you for your recommendation on the storage of glass waste canisters at the Savannah River Site (SRS). The Department of Energy, Savannah River Operations Office (DOE-SR) accepts your recommendations and provides the following responses:

CAB recommendations:

1. Work with agencies and government entities to continue to advocate for a final repository for these canisters.

We accept this subpart. DOE-SR will continue to advocate when practical for a geologic repository for the disposal of glass waste canisters produced and stored at SRS.

2. Continue to work on plans to accommodate the additional 1,306 canisters until a repository is established.

We accept this subpart. During the budget formulation process, DOE-SR identifies and submits funding requests in the Integrated Priority List needed to meet all Minimum Safe and Regulatory Compliance scope requirements.

3. Continue to provide updates to the CAB on canister production and space.

We accept this subpart. The Department will provide updates to the CAB regarding canister production and storage space availability when requested by the CAB.

As always, DOE welcomes input from the public as we continue to work on cleanup and waste disposition activities at SRS.

If you have questions, you can contact me or contact Roberto Gonzalez, of my staff, at (803) 208-6168.

Sincerely,

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