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Mr. Gil Allensworth, Chairperson Savannah River Site Citizens Advisory Board P.O. Box A Aiken, South Carolina 29802

Dear Mr. Allensworth:

SUBJECT: Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Recommendation Number #358 – {Restart the Savannah River Site (SRS)/Idaho National Laboratory (INL) Spent Nuclear Fuel (SNF) Exchange} (Your letter dated, July 24, 2018)

Thank you for your recommendation on Restarting the SRS/INL SNF Exchange. The Department of Energy Savannah River Operations Office (DOE-SR) partially accepts your recommendation and provides the following response.

## CAB Recommendation:

Restart the SRS/INL/SNF Exchange

The future mission of H-Canyon is currently being evaluated by the Department. Part of that evaluation includes disposition of non-Aluminum based SNF at the SRS along with the disposition of all aluminum based SNF throughout the Department. Until this evaluation has been completed it is not possible to fully accept your recommendation, but the evaluation will include the potential for SNF fuel exchange.

The Department thanks you for your recommendation and values the CAB's position on the SRS programs, but it is not possible for the Department to fully accept these recommendations.

If you have any questions, please contact me or have your staff contact Maxcine Maxted, of my staff, at (803) 208-0506.

Sincerely,

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