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December 7, 2020

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

Dear Mr. Allensworth:

SUBJECT: Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Recommendation Number 369 - Install A

Designated Evaporator at Defense Waste Processing Facility (DWPF)

Thank you for your recommendation regarding the reduction of Liquid Waste returned to H and F Tank Farms. The Department of Energy Savannah River Operations Office (DOE-SR) accepts this recommendation and provides the following response.

CAB Recommendation:

The CAB recommends that DOE conduct a study of the benefits of installing a separate designated evaporator, or equally effective and cost-effective alternative technology, at the DWPF to support the reduction of liquid generated at DWPF so that the volume of liquid returned back to the Tank Farms is reduced.

Savannah River Remediation has concluded an alternative analysis that reviewed options to install an evaporator that would divert the liquid waste (DWPF Recycle) from the Tank Farms. Alternative analysis results are currently under evaluation. Once the evaluation is complete and a decision is made, DOE-SR will provide the CAB a presentation of the alternative study, selected option, and path forward.

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

If you have any questions, please contact me or Joel Maul of my staff at (803) 465-0454.

Sincerely,

Michael D.

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