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Ms. Jean Sulc, Chair
Savannah River Site Citizens Advisory Board
24 Harbor Circle
St. Helena Island, SC

Dear Ms. Sulc:

SUBJECT: Savannah River Site (SRS) Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Recommendation Number 207 – Planning and Scheduling to Complete SRS Cleanup (Your letter, 03/30/05)

Thank you for the subject recommendation regarding our plans to complete SRS cleanup. My response to both parts of the recommendation is below.

Part one of the recommendation requested that on or before September 26, 2005, the Department of Energy (DOE) demonstrate that proper planning and coordination with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4 (EPA-4) and the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC) are taking place so that consensus on operational, logistical, and financial details will be reached to ensure completion of cleanup activities at SRS by Calendar Year (CY) 2025.

Part two requested DOE to present to the SRS CAB on or before September 26, 2005, planned out-year schedules and cost estimates for SRS cleanup, showing how the planned work activities and their sequencing can continue to find cost-savings and identify processes to accelerate the CY 2025 date for cleanup completion.

DOE will make a presentation to the Facility Disposition and Site Remediation Committee prior to the September 26, 2005, SRS CAB meeting, providing an overview of our Area Completion Strategy which is reflected in the updated Federal Facility Agreement Appendix E provided to EPA-4 and SCDHEC on March 31, 2005, for approval. The Area Completion Strategy will streamline cleanup by addressing all remaining waste units and decommissioned facilities within each industrial area in a single assessment. The presentation will include operational, logistical, and financial assumptions that were used in developing the Appendix E commitments, and the processes that will reduce costs and time in achieving cleanup completion.

If you have any questions, please call me or Mr. Brian Hennessey at (803) 952-8365.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jeffrey M. Allison", is written over a horizontal line.

Jeffrey M. Allison
Manager

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cc: Robert King, SCDHEC
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