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Ms. Jean Sulc, Chair
Savannah River Site Citizens Advisory Board
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Dear Ms. Sulc:

**SUBJECT: Savannah River Site (SRS) Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Recommendation
Number 215 – F-Canyon Complex Decommissioning**

Thank you for your recommendation regarding the decommissioning of the F-Canyon Complex. Your recommendation requested that the Department of Energy (DOE) consider conducting periodic information briefings and/or public workshops, at least annually, prior to the initiation of decommissioning activity for the F-Canyon Complex (which includes the F-Canyon and the F-B Line). Specific topics noted are: 1) residual plutonium, 2) potential source terms at the perimeter and/or below the canyon, and 3) the engineering evaluation/cost analysis (EE/CA) process.

We agree with the SRS CAB that early stakeholder involvement in the decommissioning planning process is important to ultimately achieving the safe and timely decommissioning of the F-Canyon Complex. We also agree that holding briefings and/or workshops can be an effective way to obtain stakeholder input.

To initiate this action, DOE will sponsor a workshop on the EE/CA process before the end of this year. Other workshops and/or briefings on the other recommended topics will be scheduled as information to support the topics becomes available.

We will continue to seek SRS CAB input on this project and will keep the SRS CAB apprised of all deactivation and decommissioning activities through briefings at the board meetings and through the involvement with the Facilities Disposition and Site Remediation Committee.

If you have any questions, please call me or Ms. Helen Belencan, of my staff, at (803) 952-8696.

Sincerely,

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

Jeffrey M. Allison
Manager