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Ms. Karen Patterson, Chair  
Savannah River Site Citizens Advisory Board  
1103 Conger Drive  
Aiken, South Carolina 29803

Dear Ms. Patterson:

**SUBJECT:** Citizens Advisory Board Recommendation Number 246 – Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) for Surplus Plutonium Disposition (SPD) at Savannah River Site (SRS) (Your letter, 5/22/07)

Thank you for your recommendation concerning the scope of the SEIS for SPD at the SRS, DOE/EIS-0283-S2. The Department of Energy (DOE) received Recommendation 246 before the end of the scoping period (March 28 through May 29, 2007) for the SPD SEIS and will consider the recommendation as a comment on the scope of the SEIS.

In the Notice of Intent for the SPD SEIS (72 FR 14543, March 28, 2007), DOE indicated that the impacts from waste management activities had been identified as an issue for analysis in the SEIS. Recommendation Number 246 expands on this issue and DOE will consider the suggested outline for describing the environmental impacts of waste management actions in preparing the SEIS.

The SPD SEIS will describe preferred and alternative treatment options. However, in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act process, DOE will not identify the selected treatment operation in the SPD SEIS, but in the Record of Decision that will follow the final SPD SEIS.

If you have any questions, please contact me or Andrew R. Grainger, of my staff, at (803) 952-8001.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jeffrey M. Allison".

Jeffrey M. Allison  
Manager

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cc: Percy Fountain (EM-3.2), HQ