

## **Department of Energy**

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Mr. Manuel Bettencourt, Chairperson Savannah River Site Citizens Advisory Board 47 Hickory Forest Drive Hilton Head, South Carolina 29929

Dear Mr. Bettencourt

SUBJECT: Savannah River Site (SRS) Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Recommendation # 265 - Site Performance Metrics (Your ltr, 7/28/09)

The Department of Energy Savannah River Operations Office (DOE-SR) is pleased to receive the referenced recommendation concerning the SRS Site Performance Metrics.

# **SRS CAB Recommendation:**

1. Develop an interim set of performance metrics for SRS to more fully communicate Site quantitative progress in Environmental Restoration, Deactivation and Decommissioning, Waste Management Operations, Nuclear Materials Disposition, and American Recovery and Reinvestment Act to the SRS CAB and the public. These metrics are designed to demonstrate progress in the areas of most concern to the SRS CAB. (Specific areas were provided.)

#### Response:

DOE-SR will develop and provide a set of performance metrics that will address the areas suggested by the SRS CAB. DOE-SR understands the need to provide information to the SRS CAB and stakeholder community that clearly communicates progress the Site is making to mitigate or eliminate risks through safe storage, stabilization, treatment and disposition of nuclear materials, spent nuclear fuel, and waste.

As indicated in recent presentations to the SRS CAB, DOE-SR is progressing to identify performance measures that support the 82 strategies incorporated in the 2009 SRS Strategic Plan. The SRS CAB recommendation for the SRS Site Performance Metrics performance metrics is being aligned with this effort.

## SRS CAB Recommendation:

2. Review a draft of the new metrics with the SRS CAB by the November 2009 SRS CAB meeting.

### Response:

DOE-SR will be prepared to review a draft of the proposed new measures at the SRS CAB Strategic and Legacy Management Committee meeting in October 2009 and to the full SRS CAB at the November 2009 meeting.

If you have any questions, please contact me or Mr. Doug Hintze, of my staff, at (803) 952-8422.

Sincerely,

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