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Dr. Donald N. Bridges, Chairperson Savannah River Site Citizens Advisory Board P. O. Box A Aiken, South Carolina 29802

Dear Mr. Bridges:

SUBJECT: Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Recommendation Number 303 – Disposition of Spent/Used Nuclear Fuel (UNF) from L-Basin through H-Canyon Considering the Plutonium Processing Impacts Likely to be Encountered, Your letter 11/01/12

Thank you for your recommendation on disposition of UNF from L-Basin through H-Canyon. We accept all five subparts of the recommendation. As we responded to the CAB's Recommendation #296, the Department understands the CAB's position of wanting to process the UNF in H-Canyon. We are actively working with Headquarters on a pathforward for disposition of some UNF. Discussion of this pathforward is too premature at this time. We believe that after the first of the year the Department may be in a position to brief you on the specifics which should address all subparts of your recommendation.

If you have any questions please contact me, or have your staff contact Patrick McGuire at (803) 208-3927.

Sincerely,

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For Manager

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