

Dr. Gregg R. Murray Savannah River Site Citizens Advisory Board P.O. Box A Aiken, South Carolina 29802

Dear Dr. Murray:

SUBJECT: Savannah River Site (SRS) Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Recommendation 376 – Ensure CAB Input During and After the Transfer of Authority for SRS to the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) (Your letter, dated January 24, 2023)

Thank you for your recommendation concerning SRS landlord transition from the Office of Environmental Management (EM) to NNSA. The Department of Energy (DOE)-Savannah River Operations Office accepts this recommendation and provides the following response.

CAB Recommendation

The SRS Citizens Advisory Board recommends that:

- 1. EM seeks advice and recommendations from the SRS CAB regarding the transfer of authority to NNSA from DOE-EM and the impact of the transfer on issues within the CAB's scope of responsibility, and
- 2. ensures long-term and significant CAB input into activities related to environmental management at SRS including, but not limited to, clean-up standards and environmental restoration; waste management and disposition; stabilization and disposition of non-stockpile nuclear materials; excess facilities; future land use and long-term stewardship; risk assessment and management; and clean-up science and technology activities.

DOE-EM is committed to citizen input and participation on all aspects of the EM mission at SRS. We agree to keep the CAB informed about the transition and any impacts to the EM mission. To that end, we propose amending the 2023 Work Plan and standing up a new CAB subcommittee that will focus on the landlord transition, long-term planning, and any cross-cutting issues that may arise.

The Department thanks you for your recommendation and values the CAB's position on SRS programs and, when possible, factors those opinions into Department decisions.

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If you have any questions, please contact me or Amy Boyette, of my staff, at (803) 761-3897.

Sincerely,

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