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Mr. Harold Simon, Chairperson  
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Dear Mr. Simon:

SUBJECT: Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Recommendation 338 – Revision of the Savannah River Site (SRS) Community Involvement Plan (CIP) (Your letter, 9/27/16)

The Department of Energy (DOE) partly accepts your recommendation concerning a revision of the SRS CIP. All of the elements of the recommendation have been considered.

DOE is planning to issue a revision of the CIP during Fiscal Year (FY) 2018. As the last CIP revision (FY 2011) stated, we will include an updated “baseline” of current community concerns in the next revision.

1. *Announce publicly plans to update the CIP through print and television outlets, offer briefings to community organizations, and invite public comments.*
2. *Conduct surveys or interviews of current and past CAB members, as well as public participants in SRS's public tours of SRS, Information Pods, “Town hall meetings”, public hearings and other public outreach venues.*
4. *Analyze concerns expressed by the public on SRS's social media sites.*
5. *Post the existing CIP prominently on the SRS External Web Site ([www.srs.gov](http://www.srs.gov)) and invite public comment on its revision.*

We accept subparts 1, 2, 4, and 5. When planning for the CIP update becomes more definitive, our stakeholders and the SRS CAB will be made aware of its preparation using many of the venues and communication methods suggested in your recommendation. Comments will be solicited at all events. Surveys and interviews will be used to gather concerns. DOE will monitor SRS's social media sites for concerns and comments.

The current SRS CIP is available online at: [http://www.srs.gov/general/programs/soil/ffa/CIP\\_2011.pdf](http://www.srs.gov/general/programs/soil/ffa/CIP_2011.pdf)

A prominent link to it will be added to the SRS external website (<http://www.srs.gov>) and to the DOE-SR website (<http://sro.srs.gov/>).

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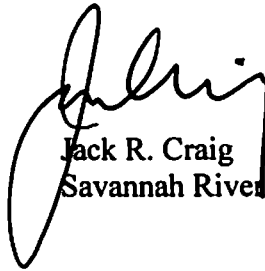
3. *Analyze the concerns expressed within the CAB's recommendations and position statements over the past 2 decades, as well as comments received from the public at CAB meetings and through its e-mail and social media venues.*

We do not accept subpart 3. A review of historical community concerns and comments is not required by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency guidance on CIPs and is not needed.

The SRS CAB and the Strategic and Legacy Management Committee, in particular, will be instrumental in soliciting input for the CIP revision.

If you have any questions, you may contact me or Mr. Michael Mikolanis, of my staff, at (803) 952-8187.

Sincerely,



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