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Department of Energy (DOE) Savannah River Operations Office (SR)

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REPLY TO

ATTN OF: SWD (Miles/(803) 725-2172)

SUBJECT: Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Recommendation Number 103 – Waste Management Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement - Orphan Waste

TO: Carolyn Huntoon, Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management, EM-1, HQ

Attached is the subject recommendation from the Savannah River Site (SRS) CAB which was discussed with Helen Belencan of your staff. The recommendation requests the publishing of the Waste Management Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement Record of Decisions on Low Level Waste, Mixed Low Level Waste Disposal, and Low Level Waste Disposal. The recommendation also requests a schedule for a draft plan discussing the equity position for South Carolina regarding Low Level Waste, Mixed Low Level Waste, Mixed Low Level Waste, Transuranic Waste, High Level Waste, Spent Nuclear Fuel, and Nuclear Materials. Please respond to the CAB recommendation items 1, 2, and 5. The CAB requests responses prior to their next meeting, which is scheduled for January 24, 2000.

Any questions you or your staff may have can be directed to me or Tom Heenan of my staff at (803) 725-8074.

Original Signed by Grog Rudy

Greg Rudy Manager

SWD:GMM:mjw

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Attachment: Recommendation Number 103 SR Response to Recommendation Number 103

cc w/attach: Mark Frei, EM-34, HQ Dave Huizenga, EM-60, HQ Greg Duggan, ID Helen Belencan, EM-35, HQ

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Ms. Ann Loadholt, Chair SRS Citizens Advisory Board P.O. Box 365 Barnwell, SC 29812

Dear Ms. Loadholt:

SUBJECT: Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Recommendation Number 103 – Waste Management Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement - Orphan Waste

Thank you for submitting the subject recommendation regarding wastes which have no current disposition path at the Savannah River Site. The Department of Energy (DOE) shares the CAB's desire to disposition these wastes in the "most practicable, cost-effective, and equitable" fashion. With respect to specifically addressing each of your recommendations:

- 1, 2 & 5. DOE Savannah River Operations Office (SR) is forwarding your recommendation along with our response to DOE Headquarters who will issue the subject Environmental Impact Statement Records of Decision for mixed low level waste disposal and low level waste disposal, as well as national decisions on other materials.
- 3. DOE SR will provide to the CAB an update on its plans for disposing of low level waste by March 10, 2000. In this update, we will identify those orphan wastes which may be disposed at the site and those orphan wastes which require disposal at another disposal location.
- 4. DOE SR will forward information regarding any waste identified in #3 that can not be disposed of at SRS to DOE Headquarters so that this information will be included in the decision process.

If you have any questions please call me or Maxcine Miles at (803) 725-2172.

Sincerely, Greg Rud Manager

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