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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 104 – Hazardous Waste Combustors Clean Air Act SRS Consolidated Incinerator Facility (CIF)

TO: Carolyn Huntoon, Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management. EM-2, HQ

Attached is the subject recommendation from the Savannah River Site (SRS) CAB which was discussed with Helen Belencar of your staff. The recommendation requests information on equity discussions regarding the SRS CIF and that DOE choose an alternative in operating the DOE Complex incinerators which is cost effective and balances equity. This recommendation is forwarded for your information and utilization in equity discussions.

The Mixed Low Level Waste/Low Level Waste Program Area Integration Team is currently evaluating the alternatives in operating the DOE incinerators and this recommendation is being forwarded for their consideration, via copy of this memorandum.

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 Greg Rudy Greg Rudy Manager

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Attachment: Recommendation Number 104

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 104 – Hazardous Waste Combustors Clean Air Act SRS Consolidated Incinerator Facility (CIF)

Thank you for submitting the subject recommendation regarding the Department of Energy (DOE) Complex incinerators. DOE appreciates the CAB's input on this topic and our response to each of your recommendations follows:

- DOE Savannah River Operations Office (SR) agrees that minimizing costs and balancing equity should be considered in decision making. One of the reasons Environmental Management Integration (EMI) efforts were initiated was due to the need to be more cost effective from a DOE Complex perspective and reduce duplication among the various DOE sites. DOE SR will forward your recommendation along with our response to the EMI Program Area Integration Team so that it is considered in drafting the team's recommendation to EM Management.
- 2. DOE SR, along with DOE Headquarters, will continue to work with the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control to address equity issues concerning the use of the CIF for treatment of offsite wastes through follow-up discussions related to the Statement of Principles signed by the South Carolina Governor and the Secretary of Energy. We will provide a status of these discussions to the CAB by the end of March 2000. Prior to receipt of waste from offsite for treatment at CIF, DOE SR will consult the CAB for input regarding acceptability to stakeholders.
- DOE SR will provide an update to the CAB regarding CIF operations and progress in complying with the new NESHAP Hazardous Waste Combustor Emission Standards by the end of July 2000.
- DOE SR, along with DOE Headquarters, will continue to provide the CAB updates and information on equity issues.

We are forwarding your recommendation and our response to DOE Headquarters to aid in their efforts. If you have any questions please call me or Maxcine Miles at (803) 725-2172.

Sincerely,

Greg Rudy Manager

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