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Ms. Karen Patterson, Chairperson
SRS Citizens Advisory Board
P. O. Box 365
Barnwell, South Carolina 29812

SUBJECT: Citizens Advisory Board, Recommendations # 113 and 114.

Dear Ms. Patterson:

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC) has received the Savannah River Site (SRS) Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) recommendations # 113 and 114. Recommendation # 113 pertains to *Integrator Operable Unit (IOU) Investigation and Remediation Documentation*; and Recommendation # 114 pertains to *Interim Action Proposed Plan for A-Area Burning/Rubble*.

Enclosed please find individual responses to each of the subject recommendations. We appreciate the Board's input and wish to encourage continued active participation in the challenging issues we face in the cleanup of past releases pursuant to the terms of the Federal Facility Agreement.

If you need further assistance, please contact Ann Clark or Keith Collinsworth of my staff at (803) 898-3973 or (803) 896-4055.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Commissioner
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Recommendation #113 -Stakeholder Review of Integrator Operable Unit (IOU) Plans, Studies, and Reports:

The above referenced recommendation recommends that the three agencies:

1. Revise the current IOU study process to provide the SRS CAB and the public with the opportunity to review both Phase I and Phase II plans, studies, and reports during the same review periods provided to the regulators.
2. Document this change in the IOU review schedule and provide a copy of the change to the Board by March 15, 2000, for ongoing and future IOU studies.

SCDHEC concurs with the referenced recommendation and agrees that the Department of Energy make available the IOU workplans to the CAB for their review during the review period outlined in the Federal Facility Agreement (120 days). In addition SCDHEC concurs with the second portion of the recommendation, that DOE provide to you a copy of the IOU review schedules.

CAB Recommendation #114 - Proposed Interim Action Plan for A-Area Burning/Rubble Pit:

SCDHEC appreciates the CABs endorsement of the preferred remedial alternative at the A-Area Burning Rubble Pit. The Department concurs with the recommendation that the CAB be given the opportunity to review the performance evaluations for ABRP-OU groundwater interim remedial action during the same review period as the Regulators.