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Mr. Wade Waters, Chair Savannah River Site Citizens Advisory Board 308 Pinewood Drive Pooler, GA 31411

Dear Mr. Waters:

SUBJECT: Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Recommendation Number 161 – Department of Energy Passive Treatment of F- and H-Area Groundwater (Your letter, 05/21/03)

Thank you for the subject recommendation. Consistent with this recommendation, the Savannah River Site (SRS) has requested the permanent shutdown of the F- and H-Area extraction/re-injection systems. The Groundwater Corrective Action Plans (CAPs) were submitted to the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC) on April 1, 2003. Once the CAPs are approved, SRS will work with the Environmental Protection Agency and SCDHEC to implement the CAPs for F- and H-Area Groundwater to ensure that the passive alternatives will meet remediation standards and schedules.

If you have any questions, please contact me or Robert Baker of my staff at (803) 725-1432.

Sincerely,

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