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Mr. Wade Waters, Chair  
Savannah River Site Citizen's Advisory Board  
308 Pinewood Drive  
Pooler, Georgia 31322

Dear Mr. Waters:

Thank you for your November 18, 2003, letter concerning the Savannah River Site Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Recommendation 175. In that recommendation, you request the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) continue to work with the Department of Energy, Savannah River Site (DOE-SR) and the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC) to set clear boundaries for expanding the use of Monitored Natural Attenuation/Enhanced Passive Remediation (MNA/EPR) at appropriate SRS contaminated sites.

EPA promotes the investigation of this and other innovative processes to optimize performance and to ensure that the attenuation process will operate for extended periods. EPA continues to participate in national working groups on this subject and will continue to work closely with DOE-SR and SCDHEC to develop a protocol for the use of MNA/EPR at the site.

We appreciate the CAB's continued involvement in the cleanup efforts at the Savannah River Site. If EPA may be of further assistance, please feel free to contact Dawn Taylor at 404/562-8575 or Robert H. Pope at 404/562-8506.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J. I. Palmer, Jr.", is written over the typed name.

J. I. Palmer, Jr.  
Regional Administrator

cc/ Dawn Haygood, WSRC  
Keith Collinsworth, SCDHEC