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Ms. Jean Sulc, Chair Savannah River Site Citizens Advisory Board 24 Harbor River Circle St. Helena Island, South Carolina 29920

Dear Ms. Sulc:

SUBJECT: Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Recommendation Number 193 – Public Dissemination of Waste Disposition Information (Your Letter, 07/28/04)

Thank you for your Recommendation regarding the involvement and education of the public about Savannah River Site's (SRS's) High Level Waste Program. To address Item 1 of this recommendation, SRS shall fully support a CAB sponsored High Level Waste (HLW) Educational Forum after enactment of legislation resolving the waste incidental to reprocessing issue.

To address Item 2, a review of the CAB website identified outdated information about the SRS HLW program. This information will be updated including links to other organizations that you requested. A link to the SRS Home Page already exists. Furthermore, HLW fact sheets are currently available at the Department of Energy's (DOE's) website.

In response to Item 3 of this Recommendation, DOE will continue to be proactive in providing the news media information about Departmental programs and providing timely responses to requests with approved, factual information. Please keep in mind that news outlets control their own publication, not the DOE. While we appreciate the CAB members expressing public support for many of DOE's programs at SRS, the Board's independence and credibility concerning site-related recommendations are very valuable to DOE and the community at large.

If you have any questions, please contact me or have your staff contact Charles Hansen at (803) 208-6072.

Sincerely,

m. all:

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