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Mr. Manuel Bettencourt, Chairperson
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Dear Mr. Bettencourt:

SUBJECT: Savannah River Site (SRS) Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Recommendation #266
Enriched Uranium Disposition (Your letter, 9/29/09)

As presented in the CAB Nuclear Material Committee meeting July 14, 2009 and the full CAB meeting on September 28, 2009, the Department of Energy (DOE) is conducting an alternative analysis regarding the disposition of excess non-pit plutonium and spent nuclear fuel. The outcome of this analysis should provide the necessary information needed to address the subject recommendation.

It is the intent of DOE Savannah River that once the aforementioned studies are approved, a nuclear material processing roadmap will be developed which will illustrate the overall processing schedule for the Enriched Uranium Disposition project. In addition, a nuclear materials system plan (similar to the Liquid Waste Disposition System Plan), will be developed that should address all of the information requested in items one, two, and three of the subject recommendation. We estimate that the proposed roadmap and nuclear materials system plan will be completed in May 2010.

If you have any questions, please contact me or have your staff contact Carl Lanigan at 208-1628.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeffrey M. Allison".

Jeffrey M. Allison
Manager

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