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Dr. Donald N. Bridges, Chairperson  
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Dear Dr. Bridges:

SUBJECT: Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Recommendation Number 309 – Consider Nuclear Waste Management Plan for Interim Storage of Defense Waste in Yucca Mountain, and Temporary Storage of Used Nuclear Fuel (UNF) at Generation Sites, (Your letter, 07/24/13)

Thank you for your recommendation on the use of Yucca Mountain as an interim Site for storage of defense waste.

Department of Energy Savannah River Site Operations Office cannot accept your recommendation. The use of Yucca Mountain is not within the purview of the Office of Environmental Management. We understand the CAB's desire for the UNF and defense waste to exit the State of South Carolina; however, this is a policy decision that will be handled by the Office of Nuclear Energy (NE). As such we are forwarding your recommendation along with this response to the appropriate NE personnel.

If you have any questions, please contact me or have your staff contact Patrick McGuire at (803) 208-3927.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David C. Moody".

David C. Moody  
Manager

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