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Ms. Ann Loadholt, Chair Citizens Advisory Board P.O. Box 365 Barnwell, S.C. 29812

Dear Ms. Loadholt:

SUBJECT: Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Recommendation Number 76 - Plug-In Record of Decision (ROD)

Thank you for submitting the subject recommendation. The three agencies, Department of Energy-Savannah River Operations Office (DOE-SR), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-Region IV and the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC), are diligently pursuing development and implementation of a streamlined approach to environmental clean-up, known as the Plug-in ROD approach. This approach will address the clean-up of four candidate waste units (C, K, L, and P Reactor Seepage Basins). In response to the subject CAB Recommendation, DOE-SR as the lead agency under the Federal Facility Agreement, in coordination with the EPA and SCDHEC, plans to perform the following:

- Provide to the CAB by its May 24-25 meeting an overall schedule for the implementation of the Plug-in ROD approach and initiation of field work for the four candidate operable units (OU's); and
- Identify to the Waste Management and Environmental Restoration Subcommittee of the CAB any additional OU's that meet the criteria for the Plug-In ROD approach as they become identified.

If you have any questions, please call Cynthia Anderson (DOE-SR/(803) 725-3966), Jeff Crane (EPA/(404) 562-8546), or Keith Collinsworth (SCDHEC/(803) 896-4055).

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Sincerely,

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