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Ms. Ann Loadholt, Chair SRS Citizens Advisory Board P.O. Box 365 Barnwell, SC 29812

Dear Ms. Loadholt:

SUBJECT: Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Recommendation Number 96 – Independent Scientific Peer Review Selected Subsurface Remediation Activities at the Savannah River Site (SRS)

Thank you for submitting the subject recommendation regarding the Independent Scientific Peer Review of the A/M Area and F&H Area Phase I remediation activities at SRS.

The SRS is proceeding with implementing the various recommendations and has completed preliminary evaluations of effectiveness of both the barometric pumping and re-circulation wells in A/M Area. Additionally, the recommendation to collect additional data to improve characterization at F&H Area will be incorporated into both Phase I and II. The recommendation to determine the feasibility of precision pumping at F&H Area will be evaluated as a possible enhancement to Phase II. The CAB will be briefed, as requested, on the progress of the A/M Area and F&H Area remediation activities annually. Cleanup goals and estimates of the time and costs to achieve those goals for both A/M Area and F&H Area will be developed in a facilitated, open process with the regulators and the public.

If you have any questions, please call me or Cynthia V. Anderson at (803) 725-3966.

Sincerely,

Greg Rudy Manager

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