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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

MEMORANDUM TO: Aby Mohseni, Deputy Director
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SUBJECT: TELECONFERENCES BETWEEN THE U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION STAFF AND U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY STAFF TO CLARIFY VARIOUS TECHNICAL ISSUES RELEVANT TO WASTE DETERMINATION FOR H AREA TANK FARM, SAVANNAH RIVER SITE

DATES & TIME: Wednesday, June 26, 2013, and Wednesday, July 3, 2013
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Audio Teleconference

Interested members of the public can participate in these meetings via a toll-free audio teleconference. For additional details prior to each teleconference, please call the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) meeting contact listed on the NRC Web site (James Shaffner).

PURPOSE: The purpose of these public meetings is to afford NRC staff the opportunity to gather additional information related to several technical areas in U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Draft Technical Basis Document. This additional information is relevant to the preparation of NRC Requests for Additional Information (RAIs) associated with NRC's preparation of a technical evaluation report for closure of the H Area Tank Farm. In accordance with Section 3116 of the Ronald W. Reagan Defense Authorization Act of 2005, the DOE is required to consult with the NRC prior to the Secretary of Energy's waste determination that certain waste streams do not require management as high level waste.

The consultation process for H Area Tank Farm began on February 6, 2013. To complete its consultation responsibilities, the NRC will prepare a Technical Evaluation Report (TER) which will summarize the NRC staffs' review of DOE's draft waste determination and supporting documentation and provide DOE with recommendations regarding its final waste determination. In order to complete its TER, the NRC staff is in the process of identifying gaps in presently available information which may be addressed by DOE. The RAIs will be formalized and provided to DOE later this summer.

CATEGORY*: These are Category 2 Public Meetings: The public is invited to participate in these meeting with NRC at designated points identified on the agenda.

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AGENDA

Clarification of Technical Topics Related to NRC Staff Request for Additional Information Regarding the H Tank Farm at the Savannah River Site

Wednesday, June 26, 2013, and Wednesday, July 3, 2013 (1:00 – 4:00 p.m.)

Conference Call participation: Phone 800-235-7777, Pass code 2086078

Session Time	Topic	Lead
1:00 p.m.	Welcome and introduction of discussion topic (s)	NRC
1:10 p.m.	Technical discussions and clarifications related to topic areas related to potential requests for additional information preparation	NRC/DOE
3:45 p.m.	Public Comment	
4:00 p.m.	Adjourn	

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