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Dear Mr. Lesar,

I am very concerned about the proposed MOX fuel facility currently being considered for the Savannah River Site facility. I live in Savannah, and have lived my entire life with the knowledge that upstream from my home exists a very real threat to the health and safety of my family, friends and my community at large.

I can not imagine why the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission would even consider the Savannah River Site (SRS) for a program that will likely involve the shipment of surplus weapons plutonium from across our entire country. SRS is already grossly plagued by past nuclear contamination; the last thing needed is a new nuclear fuel project of this scale!

A large-scale clean up of the SRS site should be the first priority of the US government! Period. It appears instead that the government considers that this site is already a nuclear garbage dump, so what harm would a little more do? My answer to that is plenty. This is why the Governor and people of the state of South Carolina are against this program being located at the SRS and it is also why most everyone I talk with in the Savannah area is also opposed to the program.

I strongly urge the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission to take a stand in your environmental impact statement, in consideration of the most serious need for this nuclear waste land to finally begin its desperately needed clean up.

I trust that you will do the right thing.

Sincerely,
Ann Fuller

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