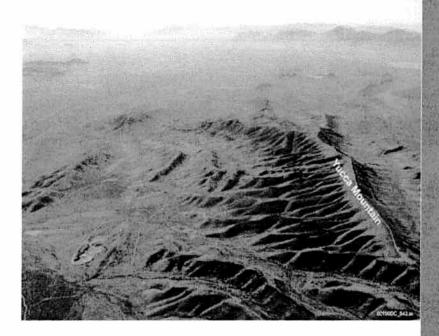
CSRA COMMUNITY RESOLUTIONS





Introduced by Representatives T.R. Young, Stewart, J.R. Smith, Clyburn, D.C. Smith, Spires, Hosey, Sellers, McLeod and Duncan.

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

TO REGISTER THE STRONG OBJECTION OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S DECISION TO ABANDON YUCCA MOUNTAIN AS THE PREFERRED PERMANENT REPOSITORY FOR DEFENSE NUCLEAR WASTE AND COMMERCIAL SPENT FUEL.

WHEREAS, the Savannah River Site, having served for more than a half century as a production facility for materials utilized in the country's nuclear-weapons program, is a critical part of the United States government's national defense infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, over the years, the citizens who reside in the two-state region surrounding the Savannah River Site have expressed strong support and appreciation for the site's mission and contributions to national security and for electric power produced by commercial nuclear plants in Georgia and South Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the federal government long has pledged that commercial spent nuclear fuel and high-level defense nuclear waste such as that generated at the Savannah River Site would be permanently stored in a specially designed and constructed underground repository at Yucca Mountain in Nevada; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of this State and region have fully and confidently relied on federal assurances that a permanent repository would be available; and

WHEREAS, the federal government has announced that it is abandoning plans to complete the permanent repository at Yucca Mountain in the Nevada desert and that an acceptable substitute option does not currently exist; and

WHEREAS, the federal government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain means the Savannah River Site may become a permanent repository for defense nuclear waste in violation of long-standing federal assurances to the contrary; and

WHEREAS, permanent storage of defense nuclear waste in our State is not compatible with the best interests of our citizens, our economic future, or our image as a great place to live and work.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives, the

Senate concurring:

THAT the members of the South Carolina General

Assembly, by this resolution, register their strong objection to the federal government's

decision to abandon Yucca Mountain as the preferred permanent repository for defense

nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the

South Carolina General Assembly call upon the United States Department of Energy, the

Congress, and the Administration to continue development of Yucca Mountain as the

preferred option for permanent storage of defense nuclear waste and commercial spent

fuel.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the

South Carolina General Assembly call upon these entities to explore ways and means to

continue the funding of \$150 million in the fiscal year 2011 budget for the review of the

Yucca Mountain license application and future activities of the nuclear-waste disposal

program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the

South Carolina General Assembly call upon the Department of Energy to assure the

citizens of this State that the federal government will honor its long-standing commitment

to provide for permanent nuclear-waste storage in an approved facility.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this

resolution be forwarded to the President of the United States, the Majority Leader of the

United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the

members of South Carolina's Congressional Delegation.

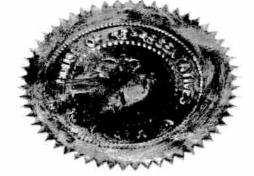
State of South Carolina In the House of Representatives Columbia, South Carolina January 28, 2010

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution passed in the House of Representatives and concurred in by the Separe.

Robert W. Harrell, Jr.

Charles F. Reid Clerk of the House

Speaker/



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House Resolution 1823

By: Representatives Murphy of the 120th, Harbin of the 118th, Frazier of the 123rd, Howard of the 121st, Sims of the 119th, and others

A RESOLUTION

Urging the United States Department of Energy, the United States Congress, and the current administration to continue the development of Yucca Mountain as the site for permanent storage of defense nuclear waste and commercial spent nuclear fuel and requesting that the funding of \$150 million for the review of the Yucca Mountain license application and future activities of the nuclear waste disposal program remain intact; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, the Savannah River Site (SRS) is a critical part of the United States government's national defense infrastructure, having served for more than half a century as a production facility for materials utilized in the country's nuclear weapons program; and

WHEREAS, the citizens who reside in a two-state region surrounding the SRS have, over the years, expressed strong support and appreciation for the mission and contributions to national security made by the SRS and for the electric power produced by commercial nuclear plants in Georgia and South Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the federal government has pledged for years that commercial spent nuclear fuel and high-level defense nuclear waste such as that generated at the SRS would be permanently stored in a specially designed and constructed underground repository at Yucca Mountain in Nevada; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the SRS region have fully and confidently relied on federal assurances that a permanent repository would be available for commercial spent nuclear fuel and high-level defense nuclear waste; and

WHEREAS, the federal government has announced that it is abandoning plans to complete the planned permanent repository at Yucca Mountain in the Nevada desert and that an acceptable substitute option does not currently exist; and

WHEREAS, the federal government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain means that the SRS may become a permanent repository for defense nuclear waste in violation of long-standing federal assurances to the contrary; and

WHEREAS, permanent storage of defense nuclear waste in the Savannah River Site region is not compatible with the best interests of the area's citizens, economic future, or image as a great place to live and work.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that the members of this body urge the United States Department of Energy, the United States Congress, and the current administration to continue the development of Yucca Mountain as the site for permanent storage of defense nuclear waste and commercial spent nuclear fuel and request that the funding of \$150 million for the review of the Yucca Mountain license application and future activities of the nuclear waste disposal program remain intact.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to United States Department of Energy Secretary Steven Chu, each member of the Georgia congressional delegation, and President Barack Obama.



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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, THE SAVANNAH RIVER SITE is a critical part of the U. S. Government's national defense infrastructure, having served for more than a half century as a production facility for materials utilized in the country's nuclear weapons program; and

WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS who reside in a two-state region surrounding the Savannah River Site have over the years expressed strong support and appreciation for the mission and contributions to national security made by the Site and for electric power produced by commercial nuclear plants in Georgia and South Carolina; and

WHEREAS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has pledged for years that commercial spent nuclear fuel and high-level defense nuclear waste such as that generated at SRS would be permanently stored in a specially designed and constructed underground repository at Yucca Mountain in Nevada; and

WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS of this region have fully and confidently relied on Federal assurances that a permanent repository would be available; and

WHEREAS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has announced that it is abandoning plans to complete the planned permanent repository at Yucca Mountain in the Nevada desert and that an acceptable substitute option does not currently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the SRS Community Reuse Organization strongly objects to the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain as the preferred permanent repository for defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain means that the Savannah River Site may become a permanent repository for defense nuclear waste in violation of long-standing Federal assurances to the contrary; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT permanent storage of defense nuclear waste in our region is not compatible with the best interests of our citizens, our economic future, or our image as a great place to live and work; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the SRS Community Reuse Organization calls upon the U. S. Department of Energy, the Congress and the Administration to continue development of Yucca Mountain as the preferred option for permanent storage of defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel and explore ways and means to continue funding of \$150M in the FY 2011 budget for the review of the Yucca Mountain license application and future activities of the nuclear waste disposal program.

WE FURTHER CALL ON THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY to assure the citizens of our region that the Government will honor its long-standing commitment to provide for permanent waste storage in an approved facility.

ADOPTED THIS 22nd DAY OF APRIL, 2010.

J. David Jameson

Chairman

SRS Community Reuse Organization

Richard V. McLeod

Executive Director

SRS Community Reuse Organization

Sponsor(s) : Smith
Committee Referral : N/A
Committee Consideration Date : N/A
Committee Recommendation : N/A

Effective Date : February 3, 2010

RESOLUTION NO. 10-02-33

COUNCIL ADMINISTRATOR FORM OF GOVERNMENT FOR AIKEN COUNTY

(Requesting the United States Department of Energy, the Congress and the Administration to Continue Development of Yucca Mountain as the Preferred Option for Permanent Storage of Defense Nuclear Waste and Commercial Spent Fuel.)

WHEREAS:

- 1. The Savannah River Site is a critical part of the U. S. Government's national defense infrastructure, having served for more than a half century as a production facility for materials utilized in the country's nuclear weapons program; and
- 2. The citizens who reside in a two-state region surrounding the Savannah River Site have over the years expressed strong support and appreciation for the mission and contributions to national security made by the Site and for electric power produced by commercial nuclear plants in Georgia and South Carolina; and
- 3. The Federal Government has pledged for years that commercial spent nuclear fuel and high-level defense nuclear waste such as that generated at SRS would be permanently stored in a specially designed and constructed underground repository at Yucca Mountain in Nevada; and
- 4. The citizens of this region have fully and confidently relied on Federal assurances that a permanent repository would be available; and
- 5. The Federal Government has announced that it is abandoning plans to complete the planned permanent repository at Yucca Mountain in the Nevada desert and that an acceptable substitute option does not currently exist; and
- 6. The Senior Senator from the State of Nevada has been quoted as saying "the proposal to dump nuclear waste at Yucca Mountain threatened the health and safety of Nevadans..." and it "...is simply not a safe or secure site to store nuclear waste" begging the question as to why it is safe for South Carolinians or other citizens living near facilities storing nuclear waste when years of research and science have indicated there is no better place to store such material than Yucca Mountain.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE AIKEN COUNTY COUNCIL THAT:

- 1. Aiken County Council strongly objects to the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain as the preferred permanent repository for defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel.
- 2. The Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain means that the Savannah River Site may become a permanent repository for defense nuclear waste in violation of long-standing Federal assurances to the contrary.
- 3. Permanent storage of defense nuclear waste in our region is not compatible with the best interests of our citizens, our economic future, or our image as a great place to live and work.
- 4. Aiken County Council calls upon the U. S. Department of Energy, the Congress and the Administration to continue development of Yucca Mountain as the preferred option for permanent storage of defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel and explore ways and means to continue funding of \$150M in

the FY 2011 budget for the review of the Yucca Mountain license application and future activities of the nuclear waste disposal program.

5. Aiken County Council calls on the Department of Energy to assure the citizens of our region that the Government will honor its long-standing commitment to provide for permanent waste storage in an approved facility.

Adopted at the regular meeting of Aiken County Council on February 2, 2010.

ATTEST:

Tamara Sullivan, Council Clerk

SIGNED

Ronnie Young, Chairman

COUNCIL VOTE: Unanimous ABSENT: Hightower

WHEREAS, THE SAVANNAH RIVER SITE is a critical part of the U. S. Government's national defense infrastructure, having served for more than a half century as a production facility for materials utilized in the country's nuclear weapons program, and

WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS who reside in a two-state region surrounding the Savannah River Site have over the years expressed strong support and appreciation for the mission and contributions to national security made by the Site and for electric power produced by commercial nuclear plants in Georgia and South Carolina;

WHEREAS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has pledged for years that commercial spent nuclear fuel and high-level defense nuclear waste such as that generated at SRS would be permanently stored in a specially designed and constructed underground repository at Yucca Mountain in Nevada, and

WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS of this region have fully and confidently relied on Federal assurances that a permanent repository would be available; and

WHEREAS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has announced that it is abandoning plans to complete the planned permanent repository at Yucca Mountain in the Nevada desert and that an acceptable substitute option does not currently exist,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Allendale County, South Carolina strongly objects to the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain as the preferred permanent repository for defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain means that the Savannah River Site may become a permanent repository for defense nuclear waste in violation of long-standing Federal assurances to the contrary, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT permanent storage of defense nuclear waste in our region is not compatible with the best interests of our citizens, our economic future, or our image as a great place to live and work

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Allendale County, South Carolina calls upon the U.S. Department of Energy, the Congress and the Administration to continue development of Yucca Mountain as the preferred option for permanent storage of defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel and explore ways and means to continue funding of \$150M in the FY 2011 budget for the review of the Yucca Mountain license application and future activities of the nuclear waste disposal program;

WE FURTHER CALL ON THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY to assure the citizens of our region that the Government will honor its long-standing commitment to provide for permanent waste storage in an approved facility.

ADOPTED THIS 21st DAY OF Junuary, 2010 AT Aller July (s. SC.

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WHEREAS, THE SAVANNAH RIVER SITE is a critical part of the U. S. Government's national defense infrastructure, having served for more than a half century as a production facility for materials utilized in the country's nuclear weapons program, and

WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS who reside in a two-state region surrounding the Savannah River Site have over the years expressed strong support and appreciation for the mission and contributions to national security made by the Site and for electric power produced by commercial nuclear plants in Georgia and South Carolina;

WHEREAS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has pledged for years that commercial spent nuclear fuel and high-level defense nuclear waste such as that generated at SRS would be permanently stored in a specially designed and constructed underground repository at Yucca Mountain in Nevada, and

WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS of this region have fully and confidently relied on Federal assurances that a permanent repository would be available; and

WHEREAS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has announced that it is abandoning plans to complete the planned permanent repository at Yucca Mountain in the Nevada desert and that an acceptable substitute option does not currently exist,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Delegation Members of the Georgia General Assembly of Augusta-Richmond and Burke Counties strongly object to the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain as the preferred permanent repository for defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain means that the Savannah River Site may become a permanent repository for defense nuclear waste in violation of long-standing Federal assurances to the contrary, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT permanent storage of defense nuclear waste in our region is not compatible with the best interests of our citizens, our economic future, or our image as a great place to live and work

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Delegation Members of the Georgia General Assembly of Augusta-Richmond and Burke Counties calls upon the U. S. Department of Energy, the Congress and the Administration to continue development of Yucca Mountain as the preferred option for permanent storage of defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel and explore ways and means to continue funding of \$150M in the FY 2011budget for the review of the Yucca Mountain license application and future activities of the nuclear waste disposal program;

WE FURTHER CALL ON THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY to assure the citizens of our region that the Government will honor its long-standing commitment to provide for permanent waste storage in an approved facility.

Mayor, City of Augusta, Georgia

ATTEST:

Clerk of Commussion



Fax: (803) 541-1104

Barnwell County Administration

County Administration Building Room 126 Barnwell, SC 29812

Phone: (803) 541-1000

Pickens Williams, Jr. County Administrator LaToya Shuler Administrative Assistant

March 23, 2010

Rick McLeod P.O. Box 696 Aiken, SC 29802

Dear Rick:

Attached is a signed copy of the resolution related to the permanent storage of High Level Defense Nuclear waste at Savannah River Site. Barnwell County Council approved the resolution at their March 2, 2010 meeting.

Sincerely,

Pickens Williams, Jr.

Barnwell County Administrator

PWJ:lds

Attachment

| STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA |) | Resolution No. 2010-03-330 |
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| COUNTY OF BARNWELL |) | |

WHEREAS, THE SAVANNAH RIVER SITE is a critical part of the U. S. Government's national defense infrastructure, having served for more than a half century as a production facility for materials utilized in the country's nuclear weapons program, and

WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS who reside in a two-state region surrounding the Savannah River Site have over the years expressed strong support and appreciation for the mission and contributions to national security made by the Site and for electric power produced by commercial nuclear plants in Georgia and South Carolina;

WHEREAS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has pledged for years that commercial spent nuclear fuel and high-level defense nuclear waste such as that generated at SRS would be permanently stored in a specially designed and constructed underground repository at Yucca Mountain in Nevada, and

WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS of this region have fully and confidently relied on Federal assurances that a permanent repository would be available; and

WHEREAS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has announced that it is abandoning plans to complete the planned permanent repository at Yucca Mountain in the Nevada desert and that an acceptable substitute option does not currently exist,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Barnwell County strongly objects to the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain as the preferred permanent repository for defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain means that the Savannah River Site may become a permanent repository for defense nuclear waste in violation of long-standing Federal assurances to the contrary, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT permanent storage of defense nuclear waste in our region is not compatible with the best interests of our citizens, our economic future, or our image as a great place to live and work

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Barnwell County calls upon the U. S. Department of Energy, the Congress and the Administration to continue development of Yucca Mountain as the preferred option for permanent storage of defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel and explore ways and means to continue funding of \$150M in the FY 2011 budget for the review of the Yucca Mountain license application and future activities of the nuclear waste disposal program;

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WE FURTHER CALL ON THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY to assure the citizens of our region that the Government will honor its long-standing commitment to provide for permanent waste storage in an approved facility.

ADOPTED this 2nd day of March, 2010 at the Regular Barnwell County Council meeting.

Barnwell County

Thomas L. Williams, Chairman

Attest

Clerk to Council



March 17, 2010

Mr. Rick McLeod SRS Community Reuse Organization PO Box 696 Aiken, SC 29802

Objection to the Abandonment of Yucca Mountain RE:

Dear Mr. McLeod:

Enclosed is an original copy of Resolution 10-829, a Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of Columbia County, Georgia Objecting to the Abandonment of Yucca Mountain.

Should you have any questions or require any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely,

Charlene R. Sharkey,

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Deputy Clerk,

Columbia County Board of Commissioners

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P.O. Box 498

Enclosures

RESOLUTION 10-829

WHEREAS, THE SAVANNAH RIVER SITE is a critical part of the U. S. Government's national defense infrastructure, having served for more than a half century as a production facility for materials utilized in the country's nuclear weapons program, and

WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS who reside in a two-state region surrounding the Savannah River Site have over the years expressed strong support and appreciation for the mission and contributions to national security made by the Site and for electric power produced by commercial nuclear plants in Georgia and South Carolina;

WHEREAS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has pledged for years that commercial spent nuclear fuel and high-level defense nuclear waste such as that generated at SRS would be permanently stored in a specially designed and constructed underground repository at Yucca Mountain in Nevada, and

WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS of this region have fully and confidently relied on Federal assurances that a permanent repository would be available; and

WHEREAS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has announced that it is abandoning plans to complete the planned permanent repository at Yucca Mountain in the Nevada desert and that an acceptable substitute option does not currently exist,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Columbia County, Georgia strongly objects to the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain as the preferred permanent repository for defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain means that the Savannah River Site may become a permanent repository for defense nuclear waste in violation of long-standing Federal assurances to the contrary, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT permanent storage of defense nuclear waste in our region is not compatible with the best interests of our citizens, our economic future, or our image as a great place to live and work

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Columbia County, Georgia calls upon the U. S. Department of Energy, the Congress and the Administration to continue development of Yucca Mountain as the preferred option for permanent storage of defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel and explore ways and means to continue funding of \$150M in the FY 2011 budget for the review of the Yucca Mountain license application and future activities of the nuclear waste disposal program;

WE FURTHER CALL ON THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY to assure the citizens of our region that the Government will honor its long-standing commitment to provide for permanent waste storage in an approved facility.

Adopted: March 16, 2010

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF

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Its Chairman

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[COUNTY SEAL]

WHEREAS, THE SAVANNAH RIVER SITE is a critical part of the U. S. Government's national defense infrastructure, having served for more than a half century as a production facility for materials utilized in the country's nuclear weapons program, and

WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS who reside in a two-state region surrounding the Savannah River Site have over the years expressed strong support and appreciation for the mission and contributions to national security made by the Site and for electric power produced by commercial nuclear plants in Georgia and South Carolina;

WHEREAS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has pledged for years that commercial spent nuclear fuel and high-level defense nuclear waste such as that generated at SRS would be permanently stored in a specially designed and constructed underground repository at Yucca Mountain in Nevada, and

WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS of this region have fully and confidently relied on Federal assurances that a permanent repository would be available; and

WHEREAS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has announced that it is abandoning plans to complete the planned permanent repository at Yucca Mountain in the Nevada desert and that an acceptable substitute option does not currently exist,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the CSRA Alliance for Fort Gordon, Inc., strongly objects to the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain as the preferred permanent repository for defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain means that the Savannah River Site may become a permanent repository for defense nuclear waste in violation of long-standing Federal assurances to the contrary, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT permanent storage of defense nuclear waste in our region is not compatible with the best interests of our citizens, our economic future, or our image as a great place to live and work

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the CSRA Alliance for Fort Gordon, Inc., calls upon the U. S. Department of Energy, the Congress and the Administration to continue development of Yucca Mountain as the preferred option for permanent storage of defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel and explore ways and means to continue funding of \$150M in the FY 2011 budget for the review of the Yucca Mountain license application and future activities of the nuclear waste disposal program;

WE FURTHER CALL ON THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY to assure the citizens of our region that the Government will honor its long-standing commitment to provide for permanent waste storage in an approved facility.

ADOPTED THIS 31st DAY OF March, 2010

Ronald L. Thigpen, Chairman, on behalf of the Board of Directors, CSRA Alliance for Fort Gordon, Inc.



WHEREAS, THE SAVANNAH RIVER SITE is a critical part of the U. S. Government's national defense infrastructure, having served for more than a half century as a production facility for materials utilized in the country's nuclear weapons program, and

WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS who reside in a two-state region surrounding the Savannah River Site have over the years expressed strong support and appreciation for the mission and contributions to national security made by the Site and for electric power produced by commercial nuclear plants in Georgia and South Carolina;

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WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS of this region have fully and confidently relied on Federal assurances that a permanent repository would be available; and

WHEREAS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has announced that it is abandoning plans to complete the planned permanent repository at Yucca Mountain in the Nevada desert and that an acceptable substitute option does not currently exist,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that [name of political entity] strongly objects to the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain as the preferred permanent repository for defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain means that the Savannah River Site may become a permanent repository for defense nuclear waste in violation of long-standing Federal assurances to the contrary, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT permanent storage of defense nuclear waste in our region is not compatible with the best interests of our citizens, our economic future, or our image as a great place to live and work



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Greater Aiken Chamber of Commerce calls upon the U. S. Department of Energy, the Congress and the Administration to continue development of Yucca Mountain as the preferred option for permanent storage of defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel and explore ways and means to continue funding of \$150M in the FY 2011 budget for the review of the Yucca Mountain license application and future activities of the nuclear waste disposal program;

WE FURTHER CALL ON THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY to assure the citizens of our region that the Government will honor its long-standing commitment to provide for permanent waste storage in an approved facility.

ADOPTED THIS 17TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2009.

Signature/

Joe E. Lewis 2009 Chair

Greater Aiken Chamber of Commerce

WHEREAS, THE SAVANNAH RIVER SITE is a critical part of the U. S. Government's national defense infrastructure, having served for more than a half century as a production facility for materials utilized in the country's nuclear weapons program, and

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WHEREAS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has announced that it is abandoning plans to complete the planned permanent repository at Yucca Mountain in the Nevada desert and that an acceptable substitute option does not currently exist,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Augusta Metro Chamber of Commerce strongly objects to the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain as the preferred permanent repository for defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain means that the Savannah River Site may become a permanent repository for defense nuclear waste in violation of long-standing Federal assurances to the contrary, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT permanent storage of defense nuclear waste in our region is not compatible with the best interests of our citizens, our economic future, or our image as a great place to live and work

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WE FURTHER CALL ON THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY to assure the citizens of our region that the Government will honor its long-standing commitment to provide for permanent waste storage in an approved facility.

ADOPTED THIS 16th DAX OF FEBRUARY, 2010

Susan M. Parr, President/CEO on behalf of Augusta Metro Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors

WHEREAS, THE SAVANNAH RIVER SITE is a critical part of the U. S. Government's national defense infrastructure, having served for more than a half century as a production facility for materials utilized in the country's nuclear weapons program, and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Columbia County Chamber of Commerce strongly objects to the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain as the preferred permanent repository for defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain means that the Savannah River Site may become a permanent repository for defense nuclear waste in violation of long-standing Federal assurances to the contrary, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT permanent storage of defense nuclear waste in our region is not compatible with the best interests of our citizens, our economic future, or our image as a great place to live and work

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Columbia County Chamber of Commerce calls upon the U. S. Department of Energy, the Congress and the Administration to continue development of Yucca Mountain as the preferred option for permanent storage of defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel and explore ways and means to continue funding of \$150M in the FY 2011 budget for the review of the Yucca Mountain license application and future activities of the nuclear waste disposal program;

WE FURTHER CALL ON THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY to assure the citizens of our region that the Government will honor its long-standing commitment to provide for permanent waste storage in an approved facility.

ADOPTED THIS 18th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2010 AT the Columbia County Chamber of Commerce Board of Director's meeting in Evans Georgia, Columbia County.

vonne Meeks

Board of Directors, Chair

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Président & CEO

WHEREAS, THE SAVANNAH RIVER SITE is a critical part of the U. S. Government's national defense infrastructure, having served for more than a half century as a production facility for materials utilized in the country's nuclear weapons program, and

WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS who reside in a two-state region surrounding the Savannah River Site have over the years expressed strong support and appreciation for the mission and contributions to national security made by the Site and for electric power produced by commercial nuclear plants in Georgia and South Carolina;

WHEREAS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has pledged for years that commercial spent nuclear fuel and high-level defense nuclear waste such as that generated at SRS would be permanently stored in a specially designed and constructed underground repository at Yucca Mountain in Nevada, and

WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS of this region have fully and confidently relied on Federal assurances that a permanent repository would be available; and

WHEREAS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has announced that it is abandoning plans to complete the planned permanent repository at Yucca Mountain in the Nevada desert and that an acceptable substitute option does not currently exist,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that The North Augusta Chamber of Commerce strongly objects to the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain as the preferred permanent repository for defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the North Augusta Chamber of Commerce fully supports recent legal action pertaining to the Yucca Mountain Project taken by the Aiken County Council, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain means that the Savannah River Site may become a permanent repository for defense nuclear waste in violation of long-standing Federal assurances to the contrary, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT permanent storage of defense nuclear waste in our region is not compatible with the best interests of our citizens, our economic future, or our image as a great place to live and work

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT The North Augusta Chamber of Commerce calls upon the U. S. Department of Energy, the Congress and the Administration to continue development of Yucca Mountain as the preferred option for permanent storage of defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel and explore ways and means to continue funding of \$150M in the FY 2011 budget for the review of the Yucca Mountain license application and future activities of the nuclear waste disposal program;

WE FURTHER CALL ON THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY to assure the citizens of our region that the Government will honor its long-standing commitment to provide for permanent waste storage in an approved facility.

ADOPTED THIS LED DAY OF March, 2010 AT 5:30 p.m.

CITY OF AIKEN, SOUTH CAROLINA

P.O. Box 1177 Aiken, South Carolina 29802 http://www.cityofaikensc.gov



214 Park Ave. SW Aiken, South Carolina 29801 FAX (803) 642-7646

February 23, 2010

Mr. Rick McLeod SRS Community Reuse Organization P. O. Box 696 Aiken, SC 29802

Dear Mr. McLeod:

City Council at their February 22, 2010, meeting approved the attached resolution for new strategies for nuclear waste. We appreciate you and Scott Singer being at the meeting, and if we can do anything further to push this forward, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Roger LeDuc City Manager

cc: Scott Singer

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City of Aiken

Post Office Box 1177 Aiken, S.C. 29802

All-America City

RESOLUTION

Fred B. Cavanaugh
Mayor

WHEREAS, the Savannah River Site is a critical part of the U.S. Government's national defense infrastructure, having served for more than half century as a production facility for materials utilized in the country's nuclear weapons program; and

WHEREAS, the citizens who reside in a two-state region surrounding the Savannah River Site have over the years expressed strong support and appreciation for the mission and contributions to national security made by the Site and for electric power produced by commercial nuclear plants in Georgia and South Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Government has pledged for years that commercial spent nuclear fuel and high-level defense nuclear waste such as that generated at SRS would be permanently stored in a specially designed and constructed underground repository at Yucca Mountain in Nevada; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of this region have fully and confidently relied on Federal assurances that a permanent repository would be available; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Government has announced that it is abandoning plans to complete the planned permanent repository at Yucca Mountain in the Nevada desert and that an acceptable substitute option does not currently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Aiken strongly objects to the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain as the preferred permanent repository for defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain means that the Savannah River Site may become a permanent repository for defense nuclear waste in violation of long-standing Federal assurances to the contrary; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that permanent storage of defense nuclear waste in our region is not compatible with the best interests of our citizens, our economic future, or our image as a great place to live and work; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Aiken calls upon the U.S. Department of Energy, the Congress and the Administration to continue development of Yucca Mountain as the preferred option for permanent storage of defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel and explore ways and means to continue funding of \$150M in the FY 2011 budget for the review of the Yucca Mountain license application and future activities of the nuclear waste disposal program; and

WE FURTHER CALL ON THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY to assure the citizens of our region that the Government will honor its long-standing commitment to provide for permanent waste storage in an approved facility.

ADOPTED by the Council of the City of Aiken at a regular meeting held this 22nd day of February, 2010, at which a quorum was present and voting.

Mayor

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- WHEREAS, THE SAVANNAH RIVER SITE is a critical part of the U. S. Government's National defense infrastructure, having served for more than a half century as a production facility for materials utilized in the country's nuclear weapons program; and
- WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS who reside in a two-state regions surrounding the Savannah River Site have over the years expressed strong support and appreciation for the mission and contributions to national security made by the Site and for electric power produced by commercial nuclear plants in Georgia and South Carolina; and
- WHEREAS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has pledged for years that commercial spent nuclear fuel and high-level defense nuclear waste such as that generated at SRS would be permanently stored in a specially designed and constructed underground repository at Yucca Mountain in Nevada; and
- WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS of this region have fully and confidently relied on Federal assurances that a permanent repository would be available; and
- WHEREAS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has announced that it is abandoning plans to complete the planned permanent repository at Yucca Mountain in the Nevada desert and that an acceptable substitute option does not currently exist.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Barnwell, South Carolina, strongly objects to the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain as the preferred permanent repository for defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain means that the Savannah River Site may become a permanent repository for defense nuclear waste in violation of long-standing Federal assurances to the contrary; and
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** permanent storage of defense nuclear waste in our regions is not compatible with the best interests of our citizens, our economic future, or our image as a great place to live and work; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City of Barnwell, South Carolina, calls upon the U.S. Department of Energy, the Congress, and the Administration to continue development of Yucca Mountain as the preferred option for permanent storage of defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel and explore ways and means to continue funding of \$150M in the FY 2011 budget for the review of the Yucca

Mountain license application and future activities of the nuclear waste disposal program.

WE FURTHER CALL ON THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY to assure the citizens of our region that the Government will honor its long-standing commitment to provide for permanent waste storage in an approved facility.

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WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS who reside in a two-state region surrounding the Savannah River Site have over the years expressed strong support and appreciation for the mission and contributions to national security made by the Site and for electric power produced by commercial nuclear plants in Georgia and South Carolina;

WHEREAS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has pledged for years that commercial spent nuclear fuel and high-level defense nuclear waste such as that generated at SRS would permanently stored in a specially designed and constructed underground repository at Yucca Mountain in Nevada, and

WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS of this region have fully and confidently relied on Federal assurances that a permanent repository would be available; and

WHEREAS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has announced that it is abandoning plans to complete the planned permanent repository at Yucca Mountain in the Nevada desert and that an acceptable substitute option does not currently exist,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Fairfax strongly objects to the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain as the preferred permanent repository for defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT permanent storage of defense nuclear waste in our region is not compatible with the best interest of our citizens, our economic future, or our image as a great place to live and work

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Town of Fairfax calls upon the U.S. Department of Energy, the Congress and the Administration to continue development of Yucca Mountain as the preferred option for permanent storage of defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel and explore ways and means to continue funding of \$150M in the FY 2011 budget for the review of the Yucca Mountain license application and future activities of the nuclear waste disposal program;

WE FURTHER CALL ON THE DEPARTMETN OF ENERGY to assure the citizens of our region that the Government will honor its long-standing commitment to provide for permanent waste storage in an approved facility.

ADOPTED THIS 23RD DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2010 at TOWN OF FAIRFAX, SC

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Fred E. Humes
Director

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, THE SAVANNAH RIVER SITE is a critical part of the United States national defense infrastructure, having served for more than fifty years as a production facility for materials utilized in the country's nuclear weapons program, and

WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS who reside in Aiken and Edgefield Counties, South Carolina have strongly supported and appreciate the mission and contributions to national security made by SRS and energy produced by commercial nuclear plants in Georgia and South Carolina;

WHEREAS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has pledged for years that commercial spent nuclear fuel and high-level defense nuclear waste would be permanently stored in a specially designed and constructed underground repository at Yucca Mountain in the state of Nevada, and

WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS of this region have relied on Federal assurances that a permanent repository would be available; and

WHEREAS, THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY proposes to withdraw its license application with prejudice and its plans to complete the permanent repository at Yucca Mountain in the Nevada desert and that an acceptable alternative does not currently exist;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Economic Development Partnership strongly objects to the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain as the permanent repository for defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the decision to abandon Yucca Mountain will result in the Savannah River Site becoming a permanent repository for defense nuclear waste in violation of long-standing Federal assurances to the contrary, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT permanent storage of defense nuclear waste in our region is not compatible with the best interests of our citizens, our economic future, or our image as a great place to live and work;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT The Economic Development Partnership calls upon the Department of Energy, the Congress and the Administration to continue development of Yucca Mountain as the preferred option for permanent storage of defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel and fund in the FY 2011 Budget activities of the nuclear waste disposal program;

WE FURTHER CALL ON THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY to assure the citizens of our region that the United States will honor its long-standing commitment to provide for permanent waste storage in an approved facility.

ADOPTED THIS 17 DAY OF Thousany, 2010

Gary Z. Stooksb

Chairman

Economic Development Partnership

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WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS of this region have fully and confidently relied on Federal assurances that a permanent repository would be available; and

WHEREAS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has announced that it is abandoning plans to complete the planned permanent repository at Yucca Mountain in the Nevada desert and that an acceptable substitute option does not currently exist,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the SouthernCarolina Regional Alliance Board of Directors strongly objects to the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain as the preferred permanent repository for defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain means that the Savannah River Site may become a permanent repository for defense nuclear waste in violation of long-standing Federal assurances to the contrary, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT permanent storage of defense nuclear waste in our region is not compatible with the best interests of our citizens, our economic future, or our image as a great place to live and work

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the SouthernCarolina Regional Alliance Board of Directors calls upon the U. S. Department of Energy, the Congress, and the Administration to continue development of Yucca Mountain as the preferred option for permanent storage of defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel and explore ways and means to continue funding of \$150M in the FY 2011 budget for the review of the Yucca Mountain license application and future activities of the nuclear waste disposal program;

WE FURTHER CALL ON THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY to assure the citizens of our region that the Government will honor its long-standing commitment to provide for permanent waste storage in an approved facility.

ADOPTED THIS 30 DAY OF MARCH, 2000 AT BORNWELL SC.

John Williamson, III

Chairman

RESOLUTION No. 1-10

WHEREAS, THE SAVANNAH RIVER SITE is a critical part of the U. S. Government's national defense infrastructure, having served for more than a half century as a production facility for materials utilized in the country's nuclear weapons program, and

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WHEREAS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has announced that it is abandoning plans to complete the planned permanent repository at Yucca Mountain in the Nevada desert and that an acceptable substitute option does not currently exist,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Development Authority of Columbia County, Georgia strongly objects to the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain as the preferred permanent repository for defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain means that the Savannah River Site may become a permanent repository for defense nuclear waste in violation of long-standing Federal assurances to the contrary, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT permanent storage of defense nuclear waste in our region is not compatible with the best interests of our citizens, our economic future, or our image as a great place to live and work

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Development Authority of Columbia County, Georgia calls upon the U. S. Department of Energy, the Congress and the Administration to continue development of Yucca Mountain as the preferred option for permanent storage of defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel and explore ways and means to continue funding of \$150M in the FY 2011 budget for the review of the Yucca Mountain license application and future activities of the nuclear waste disposal program;

WE FURTHER CALL ON THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY to assure the citizens of our region that the Government will honor its long-standing commitment to provide for permanent waste storage in an approved facility.

ADOPTED THIS 24th day of March, 2010, in Evans, Georgia.

Development Authority of Columbia County, Georgia

By: Rich Evans

Its: Chairman

Attested by:

Pete Brodie, Secretary



March 9, 2010

1450 GREENE STREET SUITE 85 AUGUSTA, GEORGIA 30901-5226

> TEL: 706-722-9100 FAX: 706-722-9102 www.deguslatomorrow.org

J. David Jameson Chairman SRS Community Reuse Organization PO Box 696 Aiken, SC 29802

Dear Mr. Jameson:

Augusta Tomorrow, Inc. has signed the attached Resolution strongly supporting the nuclear waste generated at the Savannah River Site be stored in an underground repository at Yucca Mountain in Nevada.

Augusta Tomorrow, Inc. is a non-profit, public-private corporation that has been promoting revitalization and economic redevelopment since 1982. Membership on the Augusta board includes the City of Augusta, the City of North Augusta and businesses that are vitally interested in the economic well-being of our community. We are dismayed that the assurances we received over the past few years that the government would move the nuclear waste to a permanent home in the remote Nevada desert are now being reversed after more than 25 years after the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 specified that high-level waste would be disposed of underground at Yucca Mountain.

We are seriously concerned about the government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain for defense nuclear waste and urge the Department of Energy, Congress and the Administration to reconsider their decision. We strongly believe that the remote Yucca Mountain is the appropriate repository for the spent nuclear fuel and high-level defense waste generated at the Savannah River Site.

Sincerely,

Dennis B. Skelley

President

WHEREAS, THE SAVANNAH RIVER SITE is a critical part of the U. S. Government's national defense infrastructure, having served for more than a half century as a production facility for materials utilized in the country's nuclear weapons program, and

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WHEREAS, THE CITIZENS of this region have fully and confidently relied on Federal assurances that a permanent repository would be available; and

WHEREAS, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT has announced that it is abandoning plans to complete the planned permanent repository at Yucca Mountain in the Nevada desert and that an acceptable substitute option does not currently exist,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Augusta Tomorrow, Inc. strongly objects to the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain as the preferred permanent repository for defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Government's decision to abandon Yucca Mountain means that the Savannah River Site may become a permanent repository for defense nuclear waste in violation of long-standing Federal assurances to the contrary, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT permanent storage of defense nuclear waste in our region is not compatible with the best interests of our citizens, our economic future, or our image as a great place to live and work

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Augusta Tomorrow, Inc. calls upon the U. S. Department of Energy, the Congress and the Administration to continue development of Yucca Mountain as the preferred option for permanent storage of defense nuclear waste and commercial spent fuel and explore ways and means to continue funding of S150M in the FY 2011 budget for the review of the Yucca Mountain license application and future activities of the nuclear waste disposal program;

WE FURTHER CALL ON THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY to assure the citizens of our region that the Government will honor its long-standing commitment to provide for permanent waste storage in an approved facility.



Mark Sanford Governor

SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Joe E. Taylor, Jr. Secretary

February 18, 2010

Mr. J. David Jameson Chairman SRS Community Reuse Organization Post Office Box 696 Aiken, SC 29802 Dr. Marc Miller Vice Chairman SRS Community Reuse Organization Post Office Box 696 Aiken, SC 29802

Dear Mr. Jameson and Mr. Miller,

Thank you for your February 5, 2010, letter to David Logsdon describing the Yucca Mountain situation. The Department of Commerce recognizes the significant impact of the Savannah River Site on the economic vitality of the South Carolina, and we appreciate your efforts to communicate the current issues facing the Savannah River Site.

As you are aware, Governor Sanford recently joined members of the South Carolina Congressional Delegation in urging federal officials to recommit to the Yucca Mountain waste storage plan. Therefore, with respect to your request for a letter of support, please allow Governor Sanford's letter to serve as the official position of the Executive Branch.

Please contact me at (803) 737-3949 if I can be of further assistance.

Best regards,

Adam M. Jordan

External Affairs Manager

AMJ/vw



State of South Carolina Office of the Governor

MARK SANFORD

Post Office Box 12267 COLUMBIA 29211

February 11, 2010

The Honorable Lindsey O. Graham United States Senate SR-290 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510-4003

Dear Lindsey,

Last week the Obama Administration announced its decision to abandon the 23-year bipartisan project establishing Yucca Mountain as the nation's primary permanent nuclear waste storage site. My administration would submit that this decision is spectacularly misguided, and breaks a promise made to South Carolina and other states nearly three decades ago. By any account, it is a blatantly political move completely contrary to the soaring rhetoric of the Obama campaign, and it represents nothing more than what many would see as a Chicago-style political payoff. To detractors, this political capitulation comes as no surprise as the site of Obama's reversal is Nevada – home to Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid. To supporters who had hoped for a change from politics as usual out of Washington, it is a real disappointment. We believe the decision will have dangerous consequences in our state and we would ask you to pursue every avenue possible to keep us on the path of a permanent nuclear waste storage site.

When Congress passed the Nuclear Waste Policy Act in 1982, it set the stage for a safe and suitable *permanent* nuclear waste repository. In 1987, Congress designated Yucca Mountain as the only option for a long-term storage site and this was reaffirmed in 2002. Even though the Department of Energy was to begin taking waste as early as 1998, nothing has ever changed about Yucca Mountain being the permanent site. The Obama Administration's decision violates the letter of the law by extending the length of time South Carolina will be forced to store nuclear waste.

South Carolina currently stores roughly 4,000 metric tons of nuclear waste – ranking behind only Illinois and Pennsylvania. I believe, and the numbers support this fact, that South Carolina has done more than its part in storing nuclear waste for the country over years. With four additional nuclear reactors proposed in South Carolina, storage of spent nuclear fuel will likely increase considerably with no path out in sight given the Administration's decision.

The Honorable Lindsey O. Graham Page 2 February 11, 2010

Since 1982, the nuclear power industry, through ratepayers living in this and other states, has paid roughly \$7 billion into this nuclear waste fund. South Carolinians alone have contributed more than \$1.2 billion into the fund. Meanwhile, the total spent for the preparation and construction of a permanent storage site at Yucca Mountain has been more than \$10 billion. The result of the Obama Administration's decision will be that taxpayers will get nothing – literally nothing – in return. Adding insult to injury, at this point the federal government refuses to return these payments to help utilities offset the mounting costs for their supposedly temporary storage of nuclear waste. If the Obama Administration is not willing to step back from their wantonly political decision on Yucca Mountain, or return funds drawn from states like ours for this project, then we may be forced to explore other options here in South Carolina.

The Department of Energy already faces \$1.5 billion in court judgments and legal expenses resulting from failure to meet obligations. Allowing this dangerous decision to stand will only up the ante when it comes to taxpayers' cost because they are footing the bill on both ends of the equation, resulting in added costs of as much as \$500 million annually just to defend and settle ongoing lawsuits.

Nuclear waste is stored at over 120 locations across the country, with 160 million Americans living within 75 miles of one of these sites. Specifically, we are concerned with the long-term storage of large amounts of nuclear waste at the Savannah River Site given it lies in a geologically unstable fault zone, and with this comes the potential harm to the Savannah River watershed and millions of people. The presence of so many storage facilities throughout the United States also presents a potential national security threat because each storage site could be a target for terrorism. Yucca Mountain would help alleviate many of these concerns by consolidating nuclear waste storage in a single, secure location.

I believe the Administration's decision to shutter the Yucca Mountain project will have long-term, negative effects on our state and nation. At the very minimum, any alternative must meet the same timeline as the Yucca Mountain path was to follow. We believe the best solution still lies in finishing the job that has been underway for the past 23 years. We would ask for your efforts in pushing the Obama Administration and Congress to complete the permanent repository that Congress taxed our citizens to build.

We look forward to working with you on this issue. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Mark Sanford

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