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Chairman Meserve  
U.S. Nuclear regulatory Commission  
Washington, DC 20555

Dear Chairman Meserve,  
The US Nuclear Regulatory Commission is instructed, by law to protect the Public Health. As you know, public trust and confidence is best served by open information and participation in this process. Therefore I urge that you hold open public hearings in my community on the environmental impacts of the proposed plutonium fuel factory at the Savannah River site. Further, I ask that you reverse NRC staff's initial decision to hold only informal hearings in an NRC licensing process for this factory, and instead provide a full, formal hearing process. Our safety, and our confidence in our safety will not be served by short cuts. Thank you for your action in this matter.

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