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SUBJECT: NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION PLANNED MONITORING
ACTIVITIES FOR DISPOSAL OF SALT WASTE AT THE SAVANNAH RIVER
SITE

Dear Ms. Sherritt:

The enclosed document describes the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) planned activities for monitoring actions taken by the Department of Energy (DOE) to dispose of salt waste at the Savannah River Site (SRS). This monitoring plan was prepared in accordance with the Ronald Reagan National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2005 (NDAA), which requires NRC to "...monitor disposal actions taken by the Department of Energy...for the purpose of assessing compliance with the performance objectives set out in Subpart C of Part 61 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations".

NRC issued a technical evaluation report (TER) addressing disposal of salt waste at SRS in December 2005, as part of NRC's consultation with DOE in making its waste determination under Section 3116 of the NDAA. In the TER, NRC identified specific areas that we intended to monitor in assessing DOE's compliance with the performance objectives of Subpart C, 10 CFR Part 61. The enclosed document describes how NRC intends to address these areas and to implement the overall monitoring role assigned to NRC by the NDAA.

I wish to thank the State of South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control for your comments and other input that we received while we were developing the monitoring plan.

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If you have any questions, please contact Michael Fuller, Project Manager in the Division of Waste Management and Environmental Protection, at 301-415-0520.

Sincerely,

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