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Transuranic (TRU) Waste Pads Resource Conservation and Recovery Act Permit Volume XIII Revision Request (Current permit expires 2/14/2026)

The Department of Energy (DOE)-Savannah River Operations Office has requested from the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC) a revision to the Savannah River Site's (SRS) 2013 Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Permit Renewal Application for Volume XIII. This volume of the application contains information about the Transuranic Waste (TRU) Pads. The TRU Pads are used to store, process, and repackage TRU wastes in preparation for shipment and disposal. SRS TRU wastes are disposed at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP).

The Savannah River Site (SRS) is requesting a revision to its TRU Pads RCRA Permit to effect the following changes:

- allow loaded/closed transuranic (TRU) shipments to be staged outside of regulated TRU Pads for less than seven days to prepare for shipment to WIPP (as approved by SCDHEC in a Temporary Authorization by SCDHEC in March 2017),
- clarify that container labels should be both legible and visible;
- update emergency contact information,
- update fire protection information,
- update the EPA acceptable test methods used for waste analysis, and
- make minor editorial changes in the permit application.

This notice begins a 60-day comment period. More information, including the actual permit application, is available for review and copying at the DOE Public Reading Room located in the University of South Carolina-Aiken Library, or by contacting personnel identified in this notice. The Permittee's compliance history during the life of the permit being modified is available from SCDHEC.

A public meeting will be held at the Aiken County Public Library on June 21, 2017 at 3:30 p.m. Representatives from SRS will be available to answer questions on the modification. Written comments may be sent to SCDHEC at the following address: S. L. French, Director, Division of Waste Management, South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201-1708.

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