



Department of Energy

Washington, DC 20585

March 23, 2023

Mr. Stuart MacVean
President and Chief Executive Officer
Savannah River Site
Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, LLC
203 Laurens Street SW
Aiken, South Carolina 29801

Dear Mr. MacVean:

This letter serves as notification of the Office of Enterprise Assessments, Office of Enforcement's decision to conduct an investigation into the facts and circumstances associated with a hand injury (finger amputation) event that occurred during troubleshooting and diagnostic activities at the Department of Energy's (DOE) Savannah River Site on December 1, 2022. Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, LLC reported this event into the DOE's Occurrence Reporting and Processing System under EM-SR-SRNS-HCAN-2022-0020, dated December 19, 2022.

The Office of Enforcement will conduct this investigation pursuant to the authority set forth in 10 C.F.R. § 851.40(a), *Investigations and inspections*. The investigation will include onsite and/or virtual interviews with contractor personnel. A request for documents to support this investigation will be provided separately via e-mail. Your cooperation to ensure timely submission of all documents to our office is appreciated.

Under the Major Fraud Act (MFA), as amended, 41 U.S.C. § 4310, this investigation may be a proceeding commenced by the United States that relates to a violation of, or the failure to comply with, a federal regulation. Costs incurred in connection with such a proceeding are subject to the reimbursement restrictions of the MFA implemented at 48 C.F.R. § 31.205-47. As a result, SRNS should track any costs incurred that are directly attributable to supporting DOE's investigation, subsequent to receipt of this letter, and segregate them from other potentially allowable costs.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact me at (301) 903-4033, or your staff may contact Ms. Shannon Holman, Director, Office of Worker Safety and Health Enforcement, at (301) 903-0100.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anthony C. Pierpoint", is written over a horizontal line.

Anthony C. Pierpoint

Director

Office of Enforcement

Office of Enterprise Assessments



cc: Michael Budney, SR
Tamara Baldwin, Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, LLC