

# Certificate of Designation

## The Savannah River National Laboratory

Is recognized as a world class center of excellence for the development and application of unique and innovative science and technology solutions. Its core competencies include applied research and technical expertise in the areas of hydrogen technologies, environmental remediation, non-proliferation and national security, and nuclear material stabilization. This preeminent research institution embodies a wide range of scientific and technical disciplines, including chemistry, chemical engineering, physics, biological sciences, computational science, electrical engineering, nuclear engineering, and metallurgy.

Throughout its long history of supporting the Department of Energy and its predecessor agencies, the Savannah River Technology Center, in partnership with other National Laboratories, has been at the forefront of scientific advancements that today provide America with a broad range of capabilities that will be used to safeguard the national defense, advance the use of hydrogen as a energy source, and remediate the effects of hazardous waste.

Given the importance of the capabilities of the Savannah River Technology Center to the success of America's energy and defense programs, I am designating this research center a National Laboratory, to be included as an equal member in the most comprehensive research system of its kind in the world.

Therefore, on this day, May 7, 2004, I hereby designate the Savannah River Technology Center as a National Laboratory, to be renamed the Savannah River National Laboratory.

*Spencer Abraham*  
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Secretary of Energy