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Consolidated General Closure Plan for F-Area and H-Area Waste Tank Systems Available for Public Review and Comment

Background: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)-Savannah River Operations Office has requested approval from the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC) of the Consolidated General Closure Plan for F-Area and H-Area Waste Tank Systems to support removal from service for waste tank systems and ancillary structures located in the F Area Tank Farm (FTF) and H-Area Tank Farm (HTF) at the Savannah River Site (SRS). The Consolidated General Closure Plan (CGCP) was generated to establish a standardized protocol by which DOE intends to remove from service the remaining waste tanks and ancillary structures in the FTF and HTF in accordance with SCDHEC R.61-82, Proper Closeout of Wastewater Treatment Facilities, and R.61-67, Standards for Wastewater Facility Construction. The FTF and HTF are located within the SRS General Separations Area where 6 of the 22 FTF waste tanks and 2 of the 29 HTF waste tanks (8 of the 51 total waste tanks) have already been removed from service under separate closure plans.

The CGCP implements the applicable environmental regulatory standards and guidelines for waste tank system removals from service. The CGCP also integrates and standardizes existing information contained in the separate FTF and HTF General Closure Plans and simplifies the removal from service process for the remaining waste tank systems and ancillary structures. The CGCP describes:

- Possible waste removal technologies,
- The waste tank system stabilization process,
- The methods for characterizing and evaluating impacts for residual materials that will remain in a waste tank system at closure, and
- The regulatory framework and documentation required for the removal from service process.

The CGCP was developed in conjunction with the SCDHEC and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. All comments received during the agency reviews have been resolved and incorporated into the CGCP Revision 0.

Plan Availability: The Consolidated General Closure Plan is available for review and copying at the DOE Public Reading Room located at the Gregg-Graniteville Library at the University of South Carolina Aiken campus, 471 University Parkway, Aiken, South Carolina 29801. The CGCP is also available on-line at: <http://www.scdhec.gov/Apps/Environment/PublicNotices> (under the heading SRS Consolidated General Closure Plan for F-Area and H-Area Waste Tank Systems) and at: <http://www.srs.gov/general/srs-home.html> (under Documents & Publications, Documents Available for Public Review).

Input/Comments: The 30-day public comment review period for the CGCP begins March 1, 2017, and will end on March 31, 2017. To comment, please do so in writing by Friday, March 31, 2017. Comments will be considered in SCDHEC's final decision. Please send any comments to Julie Song at SCDHEC/Water, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201-1708 or by e-mail at songjj@dhec.sc.gov.

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