

## Revision #15 to SRS permit on CIF

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)-Savannah River Operations Office has requested from the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC) a modification to Savannah River Site's 1988 Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Part B Permit Renewal Application, Volume X.

This volume details operations of the site's Consolidated Incineration Facility (CIF).

The revision (Rev. 15) updates the drawings in the application to reflect changes made during the facility shutdown.

CIF is designed to treat and reduce the volume of certain incinerable

wastes. The facility began radioactive waste operation on April 24, 1997.

More information, including the actual permit application, is available for review and copying at the DOE Public Reading Room located at the University of South Carolina-Aiken library, or by contacting personnel listed below.

## Recommendations for A Area Burning/Rubble Pits

The Department of Energy (DOE), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC) have reviewed the risks associated with the A Area Burning/Rubble Pits and Rubble Pit (ABRPs) waste unit and are recommending the following actions for the ABRPs:

(1) for groundwater -- utilize naturally occurring microorganisms (such as bacteria) to destroy contaminants and use a vacuum system to remove contaminant vapors from soils through carbon filtration;

(2) for the source unit and its soils -- soil extraction and off-site disposal with institutional controls.

The ABRPs (Pits 731-A, 731-1A and 731-2A) were constructed as unlined earthen pits and used for burning and disposal of inert waste materials. At closure, the three rubble pits were covered with soil and vegetation and was established.

The public comment period is scheduled for September 14 to October 28, 1997. Comments on the Statement of Basis/Proposed Plan and the draft RCRA permit modification are re-

quested by October 28, 1997. All comments received will be considered and addressed in a responsiveness summary that will be made available with the Record of Decision and the final RCRA permit decision, and will be sent to each person who submits comments.

Copies of the draft RCRA permit modification/s are available for review at SCDHEC during regular business hours, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays at the following locations:

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Bureau of Land and  
Waste Management  
8901 Farrow Road  
Columbia, South Carolina 29203  
Phone: (803)896-4000

SCDHEC  
Lower Savannah District  
Environmental Quality Control Office  
218 Beaufort St., N.E.  
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Copies of the Statement of Basis/Proposed Plan are available from these information repositories:

\* DOE Public Reading Room at the Gregg-Graniteville Library at the University of South Carolina-Aiken campus in Aiken, S.C.;

\* Thomas Cooper Library Government Documents Department at the University of South Carolina in Columbia, S.C.;

\* Reese Library at Augusta State University in Augusta, Ga.; and

\* Asa H. Gordon Library at Savannah State University in Savannah, Ga.

The Statement of Basis/Proposed Plan is also available on the Internet in the SRS Home Page under "What's New," (<http://www.srs.gov>) and on the SRS Environmental Restoration Home Page, (<http://www.srs.gov/general/sci-tech/enviro-rest/extpage/pub/pubinv.html>).

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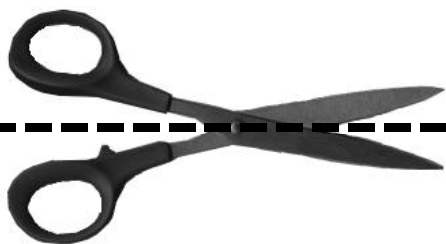
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