



# Environmental Bulletin

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## **The Savannah River Site (SRS) H-Area Tank Farm Performance Assessment (HTF PA) is Available for Public Information**

The Department of Energy (DOE) is providing the Savannah River Site (SRS) H-Area Tank Farm Performance Assessment (HTF PA) for information to the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC) and the Environmental Protection Agency. The HTF PA evaluates the long term potential human health impacts associated with the closure of HTF following waste removal for treatment and disposal, cleaning tank and systems and stabilizing the tanks with reducing grout. Currently, DOE is drafting a General Closure Plan for the HTF which is expected to be finalized in 2012 following review and approval by SCDHEC. A briefing to the SRS Citizen's Advisory Board Waste Management Committee and the public explaining the analysis performed and results documented in the HTF PA is planned for April 26, 2011, starting at 7:30 pm at the DOE conference room located at 230 Village green Blvd in Aiken, SC 29801. The HTF PA is provided for information at "[http://sro.srs.gov/f\\_htankfarmsdocuments.htm](http://sro.srs.gov/f_htankfarmsdocuments.htm)". The HTF PA is provided for information and any concerns or questions should be provided by June 30, 2011 to:

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## **Public Meeting Scheduled for the Saltstone Disposal Facility at SRS**

The Department of Energy (DOE) and Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) are hosting a public meeting to discuss NRC's second request for additional information on DOE's revised Saltstone Performance Assessment. The Saltstone Performance Assessment evaluates the long term potential human health impacts associated with disposal of processed low level radioactive waste (solidified decontaminated salt solution) in disposal vaults and cells at the Saltstone Disposal Facility. The Saltstone Disposal Facility is operated under a permit issued by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC). In accordance with Section 3116 of the Ronald W. Reagan National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2005, NRC in coordination with SCDHEC monitors DOE disposal actions at the Saltstone Disposal Facility. The topics to be discussed between the agencies will include:

Clarification questions related to NRC's second request for additional information on DOE's revised Saltstone Performance Assessment.

DOE's proposed approach to resolve the request for additional information including grouping of the responses, schedule, and proposed modeling runs(s).

Public comment periods before lunch and at the end of the day.

The meeting is scheduled between 8:30 am and 3:30 pm on Wednesday, April 27, 2011 at the Aiken Design Center, DOE Suite 220, 230 Village Green Blvd, Aiken, SC 29803. There will be a 1 1/2 hours lunch break where participants are responsible for their own lunch. The public is invited to participate in person at the above location or by calling into a conference phone line at 1-800-369-1809, pass code 37097.

Additional information is available by contacting Pat Suggs, DOE-SR/WDPD at 803-208-6804, [patricia.suggs@srs.gov](mailto:patricia.suggs@srs.gov) or Nishka Devaser, USNRC/FSME/DWMEP at 301-415-5196, [Nishka.Devaser@nrc.gov](mailto:Nishka.Devaser@nrc.gov).

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