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Savannah River Nuclear Solutions Schedules Series for Small Businesses Interested in Recovery Act Contracts

(Aiken, S.C.) – A series of luncheons for small businesses interested in securing contracts related to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) at the Department of Energy's (DOE) Savannah River Site (SRS) has been scheduled. The series is organized by the management and operations contractor at the Site, Savannah River Nuclear Solutions LLC (SRNS).

“We want to assure that any small business in the Central Savannah River Area (CSRA) has the opportunity to bid on Recovery Act contracts,” said Garry Flowers, SRNS president and chief executive officer. “By attending one of these events, small business owners or representatives will be better prepared to respond to the many opportunities coming through the Recovery Act in 2010.”

The ‘Lunch & Learn Series For Small Business’ will offer the outlook for upcoming requests for proposals for small businesses the Site. Participants will also gain insight on how to do business at SRS.

“To date, more than \$100 million in contracts have been awarded to small businesses in the CSRA,” explained Jeffrey M. Allison, manager of the DOE’s Savannah River Operations Office. “In 2010, more contracts will be awarded and these events are a good opportunity for small businesses to gain insight into the procurement process.”

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“We have scheduled these events in various locations and dates to accommodate the busy schedules of small business owners and representatives,” said Mr. Flowers. “We want to provide any licensed small business in the CSRA the opportunity to attend.” A small business will only need to attend one of the events and not the entire series.

The dates and locations are:

Thursday, Jan. 28	Barnwell SC Southern Carolina Business Center Downtown Barnwell 1750 Jackson Street 11:30-1:30pm
Thursday, Feb. 18	Augusta GA City Club 724 Broad Street 11:30-1:30pm
Thursday, Mar. 18	Aiken SC Newberry Hall 117 Newberry Street 11:30-1:30pm
Thursday, Apr. 15	North Augusta, SC North Augusta Community Center 100 Georgia Avenue 11:30-1:30pm

Only small businesses with a current business license from their local government should attend. Seating is limited for all events and registration will be made on a first come, first served basis. Information on the series is also available through the chambers of commerce of communities in the CSRA.

To register, small businesses should go online to www.srs.gov/recovery/lunch-and-learn. A confirmation of their registration will be sent to the person submitting the registration information. To contact SRNS Procurement, call (800) 888-7986 or email supplierdevelopment@srs.gov.

For additional information on the Department of Energy’s Office of Environmental Management and the Savannah River Site, can be found at <http://www.em.doe.gov> or <http://www.srs.gov>. For more information about the SRS Recovery Act Project, please visit www.srs.gov/recovery.

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