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Mr. Brian T. Hennessey, 730-B
SRS FFA Manager, Area Completion Project
U. S. Department of Energy, Savannah River Operations Office
P.O. Box A
Aiken, South Carolina 29802

Dear Mr. Hennessey:

In a March 2, 2012 letter to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC), the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) notified the EPA and SCDHEC that DOE considers waste removal activities to be completed in Tanks 18 and 19. This notification was made in accordance with the Federal Facility Agreement (FFA) Appendix L 9b, which requires the following:

1. DOE to notify the EPA and the SCDHEC when waste removal is completed and to provide supporting documentation for review;
2. DOE, SCDHEC and EPA shall mutually agree that waste removal activities may cease.

The documentation for the DOE's decision that waste removal has been completed is contained in the Industrial Wastewater Closure Module for Liquid Waste Tanks 18 and 19, F-Area Tank Farm Savannah River Site, SRR-CWDA-2010-00003 and its supporting references. The EPA has reviewed this information and agrees that it supports the conclusion that the DOE has removed waste from Tanks 18 and 19 to the maximum extent practicable. Therefore, the EPA concurs with DOE's request to cease waste removal activities in Liquid Waste Tanks 18 and 19.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (404) 562-8506.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. H. Pope".

Robert H. Pope
FFA Manager
Federal Facilities Branch
Superfund Division

cc: M.D. Wilson, SCDHEC-Columbia
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