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SUBJECT: Audit (A-01-01) of Savannah River Site (SRS) TRU Waste Characterization, Certification, and Transportation Programs for Retrievably Stored Debris Waste.

TO: Dale Ormond, DOE-SR

Please be advised that a team of auditors and technical specialists from the Carlsbad Area Office (CAO) will conduct an audit at Savannah River Site (SRS) November 7-16, 2000. The audit will be conducted in accordance with the attached audit plan. The purpose of the audit is to determine the acceptability of the SRS Transuranic Waste Characterization, Certification, and Transportation Programs for retrievably stored debris waste and whether this program should be certified by CAO for the WIPP project. Representatives from CAO, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED), the Environmental Evaluation Group (EEG), and the Westinghouse Waste Isolation Division (WID) may be present to observe the audit.

Your representatives are requested to coordinate with the audit team to develop the necessary documentation for the audit team to gain access to SRS facilities, conduct the audit, and have appropriate access to necessary documentation and records. Please provide a meeting room (with overhead projector) to hold approximately 100 people for the entrance and exit meetings, separate working rooms for the audit team (50 people), the EPA inspectors (15 people), and the NMED Observers (10 people). The audit team will also require access to computers, a full set of applicable SRS documentation, two flip charts and marking pens, and miscellaneous office supplies (e.g., pens, paper, copy machine, Post-It Notes, stapler, “scotch” tape, etc.).

If you have any questions or comments concerning this audit, please contact me at (505) 234-7423.

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Audit Number: A-01-01
Organization: Savannah River Site (SRS)
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Location: Aiken, South Carolina

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Audit Scope: The audit will evaluate the adequacy, implementation, and effectiveness of technical and quality assurance activities related to SRS Transuranic Waste Characterization, Certification, and Transportation Programs for retrievably stored debris waste.

Activities to be Audited:

The following quality assurance elements will be evaluated for implementation, and effectiveness in accordance with the CAO Quality Assurance Program Document (QAPD):

- Organization
- QA Program Implementation
- Personnel Qualification and Training
- Quality Improvement
- Documents & Records
The following CAO technical characterization elements will be evaluated for implementation and effectiveness in accordance with the Waste Analysis Plan (WAP) and Waste Acceptance Criteria (WAC).

- Data Validation & Verification (Project Office and Generation Level)
- Acceptable Knowledge
- Nondestructive Assay (NDA-SGS and PAN)
- Real Time Radiography (RTR)
- Visual Examination (VE)
- Head Space Gas, Gas VOCs, Hydrogen Analysis & Sample Control
- Performance Demonstration Program (PDP)
- Transportation
- Waste Certification (e.g., Waste Stream Profile Form)
- WIPP Waste information System (WWIS)
- Waste Analysis Plan (WAP), Section B6

The following transportation technical elements will be evaluated for implementation and effectiveness in accordance with the CAO TRUPACT-II Authorized Methods for Payload Control (TRAMPAC):

- Inspection of Packaging
- Visual Inspection
- TRUPACT-II Preparation and Loading
- TRUPACT-II Leak Check
- Shipping Preparation
- Package Maintenance
- Documentation and Records
- Payload and Drum Certification
- Transportation Tracking and Communications (TRANSCOM)

**Governing Documents/Requirements:**

The overall program adequacy of SRS specific documents will be based on the following documents:

- Quality Assurance Program Document (QAPD), CAO-94-1012, Current Revision
- Hazardous Waste Facility Permit Waste Isolation Pilot Plant EPA No. NM4890139088-TSDF by the New Mexico Environment Department, dated October 27, 1999, including all applicable modifications
Waste Acceptance Criteria for the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WAC), DOE/WIPP-069, Current Revision

Safety Analysis Report for TRUPACT-II Shipping Package, Appendix 1.3.7, TRAMPAC and the TRUPACT-II Certification of Compliance, NRC 71-9218, Current Revision

Checklists will be developed from the active revision of the following documents:

- Quality Assurance Program Document (QAPD), CAO-94-1012, Current Revision
- WSRC-RP-99-01095, R0, Dated August 3, 2000 “Savannah River Site WIPP Disposal Program Waste Certification Plan”
- WSRC-RP-99-01097, R1, Dated September 5, 2000 “Savannah River Site WIPP Disposal Program Quality Assurance Project Plan”
- WSRC-RP-99-01120, R0, Dated August 3, 2000 “Savannah River Site WIPP Disposal Program TRUPACT II Authorized Methods for Payload Control”

Related SRS technical implementing procedures

Schedule of Audit Activities:

A pre-audit conference is scheduled for Tuesday, November 7, at 9:00 a.m. in Bldg. 766H, Room 1003 at SRS.

An audit team caucus will be held at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Friday (11/7 – 11/10) and Monday through Wednesday (11/13 – 11/15), in Bldg. 766H Room 1040 at SRS.

The audit team will meet with appropriate SRS management at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday (11/8 – 11/10) and Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday (11/13 – 11/16) in Building 724-7E at SRS.

A post-audit conference is scheduled for Thursday, November 16, 2000, at 3:00 p.m. in Bldg. 766H, Room 1003 at SRS.

Approved By: Jeffrey D. May, Audit Team Leader
Date: 9/18/00

Approved By: Samuel A. Vega, CAO QA Manager
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