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SRS Receives Award for 20 Years of Participation in National Science Bowl

AIKEN, S.C. – June 10, 2010 – This year marked the 20th anniversary of the Department of Energy's (DOE) National Science Bowl®, the only academic competition of its kind that is sponsored by a U.S. Government agency. 2010 also marked another important anniversary, the 20th year of the Savannah River Site's participation in this program.

Secretary of Energy Steven Chu presented an award to representatives from the Savannah River Site (SRS) in recognition of their extensive support for and participation in the National Science Bowl for twenty consecutive years. More specifically, the award itself symbolizes a dedication to the communities surrounding SRS in the pursuit of quality education in the areas of science, technology, engineering and math.

SRS is one of only four sites to have participated each year since the start of the Science Bowl competition.

Since August 2008, Savannah River Nuclear Solutions' (SRNS) Education Outreach Program has managed the South Carolina Regional Competition for the Department of Energy at SRS.

"Savannah River Nuclear Solutions continues to place a heavy emphasis on supporting and recognizing the importance of education throughout the CSRA," said Garry Flowers, SRNS President & CEO. "Our company realizes that the future welfare of the region truly lies in the hands of today's students."

SRNS Education Outreach Manager Barbara Smoak confirms the effect her team of professionals has on the quality of education throughout the area, noting that SRNS sponsors and/or manages 11 educational outreach programs including CSRA College Night, Innovative Teaching Mini Grants, Regional Future City Competition, Regional Science and Engineering Fair, and SRS School-to-Work Programs. "We recognize the need to offer educational programs that have a positive and lasting impact on thousands of students each year throughout the greater Aiken-Augusta area," said Smoak.

This year's National Science Bowl involved 68 regional high school championship teams and 37 regional middle school champions from 42 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. The high school team winner from the CSRA and South Carolina region was Lakeside High School in Evans, Ga.

Three other DOE sites were presented an award for participating in the National Science Bowl competition for twenty consecutive years: Ames National Laboratory, National Renewable Energy Laboratory and Idaho National Laboratory.

Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, LLC, is a Fluor-Daniel Partnership comprised of Fluor, Northrop Grumman and Honeywell, responsible for the management and operations of the Department of Energy's Savannah River Site, including the Savannah River National Laboratory, located near Aiken, S.C.

CAPTION: U.S. Secretary of Energy Steven Chu presents an award to Savannah River Nuclear Solutions employee Kim Mitchell, commemorating 20 consecutive years of SRS service dedicated to the DOE Regional Science Bowl Program.

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