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Last Piece of Equipment Delivered for SRR ARRA Project

AIKEN, S.C. (February 6, 2012) – The final procurement in the \$200 million American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) for Savannah River Remediation (SRR) was received in December 2011, completing the delivery of needed equipment purchased under the program.

A 4,000 pound, 24-foot long remote cell transfer pump that cost \$1.7 million was delivered and accepted in December, completing the procurement of over \$20 million of equipment to enhance liquid waste operations at the Savannah River Site (SRS). SRR President and Project Manager Dave Olson congratulated all SRR ARRA employees for the work that was accomplished.

“Over 10 percent of the money SRR received under the ARRA project was spent on equipment that will improve liquid waste operations and move SRR closer to accomplishing its mission to operationally close waste tanks,” Olson said. “I congratulate those employees who participated in the ARRA project for a job well done.”

It took over a year for the pump to be procured, fabricated, tested and delivered. It will be used in the highly contaminated environment within the Defense Waste Processing Facility to supply water to scrubbers that are used to remove highly radioactive particulates from the facility’s melter off-gas flow stream.

Terrel Spears, Assistant Manager for Waste Disposition Project, U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Savannah River Operations, called the last procurement the end of the Recovery Act work for SRR, which helped advance the liquid waste program at SRS and provided needed jobs in the area.

“This achievement was highlighted by outstanding safety performance of the SRR ARRA employees, who worked over 1.5 million hours and over 26 months without a lost workday case,” Spears said.

SRR received the \$200 million ARRA allotment in September 2009 and went to work on 41 separate projects. The work scope was completed in December 2011. All that remains will be final project paperwork closeout, which is targeted for March 2012.

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SRS is owned by DOE. The SRS Liquid Waste contract is managed by SRR, a team of companies led by URS Corp. with partners Bechtel National, CH2M Hill and Babcock & Wilcox. Critical subcontractors for the contract are AREVA, Energy Solutions and URS Safety Management Solutions.

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