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AREA CHILDREN TO BENEFIT FROM SRS TOYS

AIKEN, S.C. (Dec. 15)—U.S. Marine Corps Reservists collected their largest area toy contribution Dec. 11 at the Savannah River Site. Employees at the Site donated an estimated 11,836 toys and \$15,900 during the site’s 18th Annual Toys for Tots Drive.

The annual event is sponsored by the employees of SRS’s Construction Department with the support and participation of many of the various SRS organizations, contractors and building trades. These employees contribute in a variety of ways, such as donating unwrapped toys, filling holiday stockings, adopting a “Christmas Angel” or making a monetary contribution.

For the seventh year, Construction was also a sponsor of the Salvation Army’s Angel Tree program, enabling SRS employees to adopt 151 area children. Many SRS employees chose to give more than 3,250 clothing and accessory items to Angel Tree recipients. About 500 Christmas stockings were also filled by employees for area children. Other fund-raising events were also part of the campaign.

SRS Toys for Tots Chair Sheri Still said, “SRS Construction employees are proud to be able to do so much for the Marines’ Toys for Tots Campaign and for the Salvation Army’s efforts to make Christmas special for children that would do without. It’s easy for us to get enthusiastic about this.”

Since the origination of the toy drive in 1991, employees have contributed more than 200,000 toys to the Marine-sponsored program.

Chuck Munns, CEO of Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, LLC, says he is proud to be part of the Construction Department’s ambitious efforts in sponsoring this site campaign. “Everybody at SRS pulls together to help make sure area children have a chance to get toys for Christmas. It is very gratifying to be part of this kind of team spirit. Construction does an outstanding job of coordinating the effort.”

Vice President Site Infrastructure and Project Support, Rich Slocum added, “I can’t say enough about the generosity and enthusiasm of our folks. It’s obvious they enjoy working hard for the communities less fortunate, this effort brings an extra measure of the happiness of the season to our neighbors’ children.”

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Washington Savannah River Company (WSRC) President Steve Piccolo said he was pleased that Site employees are continuing the tradition of giving. “For 20 years, our employees have been at the forefront of being good neighbors in many ways, especially where children are concerned. Our employees continue to unselfishly demonstrate their generosity to our communities.”

Savannah River Nuclear Solutions donated \$2500, Washington Savannah River Company/Bechtel Savannah River Incorporated/ donated \$2000, Wackenhut Services, Inc. \$1000, Parsons donated \$1000, Tyler Construction donated \$500, Reliable Equipment donated \$200 and Murren Construction \$200 to this year’s drive. The Augusta Building Trades, along with it’s local craft unions (Painters Local 1756 District Council 77, Boilermakers Local 687, Asbestos Workers Local 92, Carpenters and Millwrights Local 283, Electricians Local 1579, Ironworkers Local 709, Operating Engineers Local 470, Teamsters Local 509, Sheetmetal Workers Local 399, Cement Masons Local 33 and Pipefitters Local 150, contributed a combined total of \$8,500. Altogether these donations total \$15,900.

The Savannah River Site is owned by the U.S. Department of Energy. The management and operating contractor is Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, LLC. The Construction Department is part of the Site’s Projects, Design and Construction Services organization, which provides project management, design engineering and construction services to the Site. It is managed by Savannah River Nuclear Solutions.

WSRC manages the Liquid Waste contract at SRS for DOE. WSRC is a subsidiary of URS Corporation’s Washington Division.

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