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South Carolina Department of Labor Recognizes WSRC for Outstanding Safety in 2006

Aiken, SC, May 18--Washington Savannah River Company has been recognized by the South Carolina Department of Labor and the Governor of South Carolina for outstanding safety achievement during calendar year 2006.

This prestigious Safety Achievement Award was received for 8,743,761 work hours without an occupational lost time injury or illness last year. The award recognizes outstanding safety performance in the promotion of Industrial Safety and Health during all site operations.

Leo Sain, WSRC President, said "I am proud to accept this award on behalf of all the WSRC employees whose strong safety culture helped to earn this recognition. My goal is to achieve an injury free workplace, and make safety number one both on and off the job."

This recognition is one of a number of awards WSRC has received for its safety excellence. For example, WSRC was recognized in March for its safety record by the South Carolina Manufacturers Association Plant Safety. The award is given to those plants that worked all of 2006 with an exemplary safety record.

In addition, SRS Construction forces have worked more than 19.8 million safe hours and counting. That means the Construction workforce has completed nearly nine years without a work-related injury or illness that caused time lost from work. The last lost-time injury was June 23, 1998.

Since 1989, when WSRC was awarded the SRS contract, the WSRC Team has exceeded 10 million hours of work without a lost work day injury on 10 occasions. Last time this milestone was reached was January 2007.

SRS is owned by the Department of Energy and operated by a team of companies led by WSRC, a subsidiary of Washington Group International.

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