Historic Tank Marker Donated to Savannah River Site Archives

The 1997 marker commemorating the operational closure of the nation’s first Cold War era nuclear waste tank has been donated by SRR to the Savannah River Cold War Artifact Collection.

In accepting the marker, Caroline Bradford, curator of the Savannah River Cold War Artifact Collection, called the donation a piece of history.

“The Savannah River Site has played a huge role in this nation’s history and closing the first nuclear legacy waste tank is a very important part of that history,” Bradford said. “We accept this marker to commemorate that event.”

The concrete marker was placed in front of Tank 20, the first tank closed, in 1997. It has been replaced by a new marker, which was unveiled during a celebration on October 1, 2012 (see next page).

Assisting in donation were SRR employees Jim Herbert (left), who worked on the Tank 20 closure project and was closure project manager for Tanks 18 and 19, and Mike Harrell, who played an instrumental role in last year’s closure of Tanks 18 and 19.

Zero Injuries Nets $500 to Helping Hands, Inc.

SRR employees Nikki Grant (left) and Jennifer Darby (right) present a $500 check to Carmen Landy, Executive Director of Helping Hands, Inc., as part of SRR’s Zero Injuries campaign.

The Zero Injuries campaign means that when SRR employees work a month without any injuries that result in days away from work, the company presents a $500 check to a local charity selected by the employees.

Since beginning the Zero Injuries campaign in August 2009, SRR has donated $18,500 to local charities.

Pictured is the original Tank 20 marker which is now included in the Savannah River Cold War Artifact Collection.
### 2012—A YEAR OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS

#### Celebrated Operational Closure of Two Waste Tanks

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<td>Operationally closed two hazardous waste tanks.</td>
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<td>Reducing the risk of legacy Cold War waste by decreasing the number of radioactive curies from the waste to 292 million; the first time ever the number of curies is below 300 million.</td>
<td>SRR’s Cold War nuclear weapons production resulted in the accumulation of over 37 million gallons of hazardous waste. Operationally closing tanks results in reducing the risk from the stored waste.</td>
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<td>Enhanced liquid waste facilities and processes have increased waste removal and dispositioning accomplishments and successes.</td>
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<td>Met all Fiscal Year 2012 production goals, setting numerous production records.</td>
<td>By meeting and surpassing goals, SRR continues its commitment to reduce environmental risk. SRR produced 275 canisters with glassified waste, processed 704,000 gallons of salt waste, and dispositioned 1.25 million gallons of decontaminated salt solution.</td>
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Most substantial Environmental risk reduction in South Carolina since 1997

**Bottom Line:** By closing Savannah River Site’s hazardous waste storage tanks and removing waste from many of the SRS old-style waste tanks, Savannah River Remediation is helping to reduce the single greatest environmental risk in the state of South Carolina.