Dave Olson, SRR President and Project Manager, has accepted the position of President and Project Manager of Washington River Protection Solutions (WRPS) effective July 1, 2013, ending a 32-year career at SRS.

The WRPS contract, located at Hanford in the State of Washington, involves managing high-level waste in tanks similar to those at SRS. Olson has spent the last 10 years in SRS liquid waste operations. He was named SRR President and Project Manager in February 2011.

While serving as SRR President and Project Manager, Olson oversaw numerous record production milestones in hazardous waste processing and dispositioning, including the operational closure of two waste tanks.

Stuart MacVean, SRR Operations and Deputy Project Manager, has been named the acting SRR President and Project Manager. He has over 30 years of experience in the nuclear industry with positions in operations, maintenance, engineering, waste management, emergency management, decommission, startup and project management.

MacVean came to SRR from the Sellafield contract in the UK where he was Executive Director of the project’s Spent Fuel Program. In that position, he was responsible for the UK Spent Fuel Program, operating the Magnox and Thorp reprocessing facilities and Plutonium production and storage facility.

SRR received the 2012 Healthy Project award from parent company URS for their excellence in providing employees wellness opportunities. SRR is the first company from URS corporate to receive the 2012 Healthy Project award. SRR was recognized for its many healthy accomplishments through the year, including: Vial of LIFE Program, Biggest Loser – Biggest Winner Contests, American Heart Association (AHA) National Walk-for-Life Campaign, SRR Walking Program and Behavior Based Safety and Wellness.

SRR Safety Manager Kevin Smith (left) and SRR Wellness Director Roger Staten accept the first URS 2012 Healthy Project Award.
Savannah River Remediation (SRR) and Greendale Elementary School have joined forces to build the foundation of the school’s Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) approach to rigorous instruction through a $5,000 donation by SRR.

The New Ellenton school sits within the shadow of the Savannah River Site (SRS), and would benefit greatly from the intellectual resources and personnel support from SRS, according to Principal Sonya Colvin.

The money will be used to fund supplemental instructional materials that include hands-on manipulatives, books and other materials that will be used to bring the engineering and technological concepts to life for children. Greendale Elementary will be one of the first elementary schools in Aiken County to offer a STEM focus specifically using literacy to engage students in engineering and technological activities.

Utilizing the latest in technology, SRR continues to treat and dispose of an inventory of approximately 34 million gallons of radioactive salt waste through separate waste processing and dispositioning facilities, the Interim Salt Disposition Process facilities along with the Saltstone Facilities and Saltstone Disposal Units.

SRR’s success in salt waste processing, leading to operationally closing SRS waste tanks, has been instrumental in reducing the single greatest environmental risk in South Carolina, according to Catherine Templeton, South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control Director.