

# U.S. Department of Energy Cites Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, LLC for Worker Safety and Health Program Violations

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**WASHINGTON, D.C.** – The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) today issued a Preliminary Notice of Violation (PNOV) to Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, LLC (SRNS) for violations of worker safety and health requirements. DOE’s enforcement program holds contractors accountable for meeting regulatory requirements and maintaining a safe and healthy workplace.

The violations are associated with a worker suffering a hand injury leading to amputation of the right middle and ring fingers while conducting maintenance on an air handling unit at the Savannah River Site on December 1, 2022. The PNOV cites two Severity Level I violations of requirements enforceable under 10 C.F.R. Part 851, *Worker Safety and Health Program*. SRNS is cited for violations in the areas of: (1) management responsibilities related to training and information and (2) hazard identification and assessment and safety and health standards.

DOE proposes a civil penalty of \$127,440 based on the safety significance of the violations and in consideration of SRNS’ implementation of corrective actions to prevent recurrences.

Section 234C of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, authorizes the Energy Department to pursue regulatory enforcement under 10 C.F.R. Part 851 against DOE contractors for violations of worker safety and health requirements. DOE’s enforcement program encourages contractors to identify and correct worker safety and health program deficiencies at an early stage, before they contribute to, or result in more serious safety and health events.

SRNS is the contractor for the management and operations at Savannah River Site located in Aiken, South Carolina.

Additional details on this PNOV are available on the DOE website at: <https://www.energy.gov/ea/listings/notices-violation>