

## DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD

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**SUBJECT:** Savannah River Site Activity Report for Week Ending October 4, 2024

**Staff Activity:** Due to the impacts of Hurricane Helene, the resident inspectors were offsite for the week.

**Severe Weather:** On Friday, September 27, emergency services declared an Operational Emergency due to the exhaustion of resources available following the immediate impacts of Hurricane Helene (see 9/27/2024 report). These impacts included widespread power loss, downed trees, and downed power lines. SRS personnel continued their efforts to recover from the impacts of Hurricane Helene. These efforts involved identifying personnel able to report for minimum staffing positions and providing accommodations (e.g., food and gasoline) to those personnel able to perform required duties at nuclear facilities. Emergency services personnel were able to terminate the Operational Emergency on Tuesday, October 1. Site services restored single feed power to all nuclear facilities. Site management allowed select personnel on site Wednesday to plan a deliberate approach to resumption of normal operational activities. Non-essential personnel were permitted to return to work Thursday, if able.