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New Aerial Photos Released by SRS Watch of Plutonium Fuel (MOX) Plant at Savannah River Site;

**SRS Watch Challenges DOE/NNSA/CB&I AREVA MOX Services to Release Photos and Videos Showing
Inside of MOX Plant and Document "Reinstallation" Construction Problems**

Columbia, SC – New aerials photos of the construction site of the Mixed Oxide Fuel Fabrication Facility (MFFF) at the U.S. Department of Energy's Savannah River Site have been released by the public interest group Savannah River Site Watch (SRS Watch).

The photos, legally taken on Monday, June 20, 2016 by "High Flyer," in full compliance with pertinent aviation regulations, have been released in order to help inform the public and decision-makers about the status of the mismanaged MOX project, according to SRS Watch. The photos can be used with this credit: *"©High Flyer, special to SRS Watch."*

The photos reveal that the exterior of the MOX plant looks much the same as photos taken on March 5, 2016. Activity can be seen on the southwest corner on the outer "security wall," which surround much of the facility and which is not complete. One construction crane has also been removed from the site.

"SRS Watch is pleased to be able to provide the MOX plant photos for public use in order to increase familiarity with the mismanaged MOX project and what our wasted tax money is being spent on," said Tom Clements, director of SRS Watch. "The MOX plant photos provide visuals which can stimulate discussion about how the problem-plagued project can be smoothly terminated and if there might be alternative uses of the partially constructed MOX plant."

The photos are posted on the SRS Watch website and individually linked here:

<http://www.srswatch.org/uploads/2/7/5/8/27584045/5994949.jpg>

<http://www.srswatch.org/uploads/2/7/5/8/27584045/4778395.jpg>

<http://www.srswatch.org/uploads/2/7/5/8/27584045/2848108.jpg>

<http://www.srswatch.org/uploads/2/7/5/8/27584045/289826.jpg>

<http://www.srswatch.org/uploads/2/7/5/8/27584045/5275080.jpg>

<http://www.srswatch.org/uploads/2/7/5/8/27584045/6194253.jpg>

<http://www.srswatch.org/uploads/2/7/5/8/27584045/7670639.jpg>

SRS Watch continues to receive rumors about a host of construction and inspection problems at the site and believes that investigations into possible waste, fraud, abuse and mismanagement by DOE, NNSA and CB&I AREVA MOX Services are needed now more than ever. “The MOX contractor and DOE officials must be held accountable for allowing this project to go so far off course. We continue to encourage MOX workers to send complaints and information on construction problems and questionable inspection activities to the [DOE inspector general hotline](#), the [GAO fraud hotline](#), the [NRC inspector general hotline](#) and to [SRS Watch](#),” said Clements.

Notes:

SRS Watch photos posted on SRS Watch website: <http://www.srswatch.org/photos.html>

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