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Savannah River Nuclear Solutions Opens Application Period for Mini Grant Proposals

AIKEN, S.C. – January 20, 2011 – SRNS is now accepting proposals from educators for its 2011 Innovative Teaching Mini Grants program. Mini grants provide funding to educators who demonstrate, through their grant proposals, the use of innovative methods to enhance science, mathematics and technology programs in the classroom.

“I don’t know what we would do without the Mini Grants program,” said Leavelle-McCampbell Teacher Brishundra McGrier, a previous Mini Grant winner, who describes the program as “rewarding and a blessing.” She said that knowing SRNS has a strong interest in the well-being of area school systems and their students is awesome. “It shows we can count on their help,” she added.

Elementary and middle public school educators in the seven-county Central Savannah River Area (Aiken, Allendale, Bamberg, Barnwell, and Edgefield counties in South Carolina, and Columbia and Richmond counties in Georgia) are eligible to receive grants in \$500, \$750 or \$1,000 categories.

“Our significant funding of education throughout the greater Aiken-Augusta area is not without purpose. We understand that assisting in the education of our future workforce helps broaden



Area teachers enjoy the mini grant awards ceremony.

the pool of skilled, knowledgeable workers in the community,” said Garry Flowers, SRNS President and CEO.

Winners, and all others who submitted proposals, will be honored at the awards ceremony in April.

Applications were

mailed directly to the eligible schools earlier this month. Interested teachers may obtain applications from their school principal or SRNS Program Coordinator, Angela P. Martin, (803) 952-9120. Applications are also available on the SRS web site:

http://www.srs.gov/general/outreach/edoutrch/mini_grant.htm

Grant proposal applications must be received at SRS by March 4. Applications cannot be hand-delivered by non-SRS employees.

DOE-Savannah River Operations Office provides a variety of science and literacy outreach programs at SRS by funding and coordinating the efforts of several organizations. The primary goals of these outreach programs are to enhance interest in science, mathematics, engineering and technology and to support improvements in education in the Central Savannah River Area by using the unique resources available at the Site. We believe business, industry, government and the education community must work together as partners to improve the educational opportunities for all students in our region..

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Garry Flowers (left), SRNS President & CEO, stands with two of last year's winners.