flexibility to meet production requirements earlier than 2011, if necessary, and 5) includes the least cost option (irradiation services); and

• Preserves an option for simultaneous reactor "burning" of excess weapons plutonium, if the Storage and Disposition of Weapons— Usable Fissile Materials Record of Decision selects reactor burning of that material.

*Site Decision:* For the commercial options, the potential sites are where existing facilities are located. Selection will be subject to a separate NEPA

analysis. For the APT, environmental impacts and costs are not significant discriminators. The Savannah River Site will be the site for the APT, if one is constructed, because it has the only existing tritium recycling capability and infrastructure of the candidate sites.

*Tritium Recycling Decision:* Upgrading and consolidating the tritium recycling facilities at the Savannah River Site is the least expensive option and avoids additional transportation of tritium between sites if the APT is constructed. Therefore, if the APT is the primary source of tritium, the existing tritium recycling facilities at Savannah River Site will be consolidated and upgraded. If one of the commercial reactor options becomes the primary source of tritium, the existing recycling facilities at Savannah River Site will be consolidated and upgraded, and a new extraction facility will be constructed.

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