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SRNS Partners with Two S.C. Historically Black Colleges and Universities Signing Mutually Beneficial Memorandums of Understanding

AIKEN, S.C., Feb. 5, 2020 – Savannah River Nuclear Solutions (SRNS) continues to support Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) to include the recent signing of a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with South Carolina State University (SCSU) and another with Claflin University (CU).

“The primary purpose of these MOUs is to ensure we understand and support each other’s needs,” said Stuart MacVean, SRNS President & CEO. “As we work to fill our pipeline, we’re seeking candidates who have qualifications that meet our education and training requirements in any one of several occupations. We’re confident these agreements with South Carolina State University and Claflin University will further strengthen the valued partnership we have enjoyed for many years now.”



Savannah River Nuclear Solutions President & CEO Stuart MacVean (center) signs a Memorandum of Agreement that provides extensive SRNS resources in support of two historically black South Carolina universities. Marcus Burgess, Associate Vice President of Major and Planned Gifts, Claflin University (left), and Dr. James Clark, President, South Carolina State University, provide their signatures as well.

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The MOUs feature internship opportunities for SCSU and CU students in a wide range of potential careers involving business administration, operations and STEM-based (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math) professions.

The MOUs also commit SRNS talent management professionals to make campus visits at both universities for resume-building workshops as well as interview skills development and career exploration sessions.

“These MOUs will ensure students graduate with a high degree of confidence that they will be successful in obtaining the skills needed to qualify for jobs at SRNS,” said MacVean. “That’s the goal we’re mutually pursuing.”

SCSU President Dr. James Clark stated that he believes the SCSU MOU represents an important long-term commitment between SRNS and students. “We are grateful for the resources the SRNS executive team has generously provided to us. This will be used to further enhance the State’s only undergraduate Nuclear Engineering Program. This effort demonstrates the value of partnerships and collaborations between corporations and institutions of higher education working together for a common and admirable cause.”

The MOUs were signed at the SRS-HBCU Partnership Summit held on Monday, Feb. 3, at Aiken County’s Applied Research Center and endorsed by Congressman James E. Clyburn (D-SC).

SRNS has established extended partnering agreements with several HBCUs since becoming the management and operations contractor at SRS in 2008

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