Table 2-10. Comparison of the potential environmental impacts of the alternatives for Mark-16 and -22 fuels.

|   |                       |                     |                     | Alternatives                                |                                     |  |
|---|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|-------------------------------------|--|
| Factors   | Continuing<br>Storage | Processing to Metal | Processing to Oxide | Blending Down<br>to Low Enriched<br>Uranium | Processing and for Vitrifica (DWPF) |  |
| Health effects of Normal Operations   |                       |                     |                     |   |                                     |  |
| Radiological health effects (10-year totals):   |                       |                     |                     |   |                                     |  |
| Population latent cancer fatalities   | 0.000015              | NA <sup>b</sup>     | 0.034               | 0.041                                       | 0.0008                              |  |
| Worker latent cancer fatalities   | 0.0028                | NA                  | 0.08                | 0.026                                       | 0.088                               |  |
| Health effects from facility accidents <sup>c</sup> (projected latent cancer fatalities)                                | 0.0089                | NA                  | 4.1                 | 4.1   | 4.1                                 |  |
| Health effects from transportation  |                       |                     |                     |   |                                     |  |
| (projected latent cancer fatalities)  |                       |                     |                     |   |                                     |  |
| Incident-free (involved worker)   | 0.00377d              | NA                  | 0.00575             | 0.00740                                     | 0.01                                |  |
| Accidents (offsite population) <sup>e</sup>   | 2.0                   | NA                  | 2.0                 | 2.0   | 2.0                                 |  |
| Air resources   |                       |                     |                     |   |                                     |  |
| Nonradiological - Nitrogen oxide incremental concentration at SRS boundary (highest annual, micrograms per cubic meter) | 0                     | NA                  | 0.083               | 0.083                                       | 0.23                                |  |
| Water resources   |                       |                     |                     |   |                                     |  |
| Lead (micrograms per liter) in Upper Three Runs Creek   | 0                     | NA                  | 3                   | 3   | 6.1                                 |  |
| Utilities (10-year totals)  |                       |                     |                     |   |                                     |  |
| Electricity usage (megawatt-hour)   | 10                    | NA                  | 78,838              | 83,454                                      | 88,718                              |  |
| Waste management (10-year totals)   |                       |                     |                     |   |                                     |  |
| High-level liquid waste generation (million liters)   | 0.57                  | NA                  | 5.6                 | 7.3   | 6.8                                 |  |
| Equivalent DWPF canisters   | 10                    | NA                  | 49                  | 68  | 140                                 |  |
| Saltstone generation (cubic meters)   | 1,600                 | NA                  | 15,000              | 20,000                                      | 19,000                              |  |
| Transuranic waste generation (cubic meters)   | 0                     | NA                  | 0                   | 0   | 0                                   |  |
| Hazardous/mixed waste generation (cubic meters)   | 20                    | NA                  | 22                  | 28  | 44                                  |  |
| Low-level radioactive waste generation (cubic meters)   | 15,000                | NA                  | 16,000              | 20,000                                      | 32,000                              |  |

a. Includes transportation of associated radioactive waste.

- b. NA = Not applicable.
- c. Assumes highly unlikely occurrence of maximum consequence accident.
- d. Waste transportation only.
- e. Maximum reasonably foreseeable latent cancer fatalities from medium probability accident based on the shipment of transuranic w