



SRS Citizens Advisory Board

Environmental Remediation & Waste Management Subcommittee

Meeting Record

March 24, 1997

Augusta, Ga.

The CAB ER & WM subcommittee met on March 24, 1997 at the Radisson Riverfront Hotel in Augusta, GA. Bill Lawless opened the meeting with introductions. Other subcommittee members present were Kathryn May, CAB ER & WM Co-chair, Arthur Belge, P.K. Smith and Deborah Simone. Walt Joseph, the SRS CAB facilitator, and Todd Crawford, SRS CAB technical support, also attended. Dan Durett and Earl Meredith attended from the United Negro College Fund (UNCF) Department of Environmental Education Programs (DEEP). Attending from DOE-SR were Will Laveille and Brian Hennessey. Craig Marriner attended from the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC). Attending from WSRC/BSRI were Coleman Miles, Mike Griffith, Tom French, Kim Wierzbicki, Bill Rajczak, Helen Villasor, Anne Roe and Mary Flora. Public attendees included Lee Poe and Murray Riley. Lynn Waishwell attended from the Consortium for Risk Evaluation and Stakeholder Participation (CRESP). de`Lisa Bratcher attended as the Associate Designated Deputy Federal Official, ADDFO.

Mike Griffith gave a presentation on the proposed Soils/Debris Consolidation Facility (SDCF) and explained the facility analysis. Mr. Griffith noted that the analysis evaluated options for the consolidation of low-level radioactive soils/debris from SRS RCRA/CERCLA waste units at a centralized SDCF in comparison to other remedial alternatives. The SDCF analysis study considered 20 SRS waste units to be remediated with the contaminated soil being disposed of in the proposed 600,000 cubic yard SDCF. The analysis found that the SDCF costs were approximately double the cost of in-situ grouting and capping the waste sites in place. Bill Lawless reviewed the draft motion on the SDCF which recommends that the facility not be built.

Dan Durett, Director, UNCF/DEEP Program gave an overview of the Savannah River Site Fish Subsistence Study which was completed with a grant from the DOE. The purpose of the study was to determine if people were subsisting off fish from the Savannah River, to estimate fish consumption rates, describe the demographic characteristics of the subsistence fishing population, and describe the fishing activity of the study population. Mr. Durett explained that Claflin College, Fisk University, and Benedict College participated in the study which covered nine areas near the SRS. The survey data were collected door to door with a response rate of 11%. Dr. Earl Meredith discussed the quantitative analysis of the data and the preliminary findings.

The Technology Deployment Initiative (TDI) was presented by Will LaVeille, DOE, and Tom French, WSRC. Mr. Laveille explained that TDI was a multi-year program with an allocation of \$50 million dollars for FY98. TDI is specifically targeted for technology deployment to help expedite cleanup at DOE sites, reduce the EM mortgage, and accelerate achievement of Ten-Year Plan goals. Tom French, SRTC, discussed some of the technologies which SRS would be proposing and the site needs the technologies would address. A planned TDI motion was discussed and revised.

A presentation on SRS Waste Site Clean-up Actions was reviewed and the draft motion on SRS Waste Site Clean-up Actions was discussed and revised.

Bill Lawless closed the meeting at 9:15.

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