

Summary Notes – June 7, 2016
Savannah River Site (SRS) Citizens Advisory Board (CAB)
Nuclear Materials (NM) Committee Meeting

The NM Committee held a meeting on Tuesday, June 7, 2016, 4:30 – 6:20 pm, at the New Ellenton Community Center in New Ellenton, SC. The meeting was also streamed online and posted to the CAB website and YouTube page. The purpose of this meeting was to receive the Point of Contact status update, receive an update on K-Area and downblending, and to discuss a Recommendation and several Position Statements. There was also time set aside for Committee discussion and public comments.

Attendees:

<u>CAB:</u> Gil Allensworth Susan Corbett – <i>Online</i> Dawn Gillas David Hoel Virginia Jones John McMichael Larry Powell Earl Sheppard Harold Simon Nina Spinelli Mary Weber	<u>DOE/Contractor/Other:</u> Maxcine Maxted, DOE-SR Avery Hammett, DOE-SR Patrick McGuire, DOE-SR Michael Mikolanis, DOE-SR Tony Polk, DOE-SR de’Lisa Carrico, DOE-SR Lindsey MonBarren, SRNS Kim Cauthen, SRNS Tina Watson, Time Solutions James Tanner, Time Solutions Eleanor Prator, Time Solutions	<u>Agency Liaisons:</u> Thomas Rolka, SCDHEC <u>Stakeholders:</u> Suzanne Rhodes, SCLWV Tom Clements, SRS Watch Thomas Gardiner, <i>Aiken Standard</i> Wilkins Byrd, CVSC Jeff Allender, Public Nancy Bobbitt, US Senator Isakson Elaine Cooper, Sierra Club Joe Ortaldo, Public Harry Shealy, CVSC Rose Hayes, Public
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Committee Welcome: Larry Powell, Committee Chair
Mr. Powell welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Point of Contact Status Update: Maxcine Maxted, DOE-SR
Ms. Maxted updated the Committee on each Nuclear Materials program project.

Presentation: Plutonium: K-Area Status Update and Downblending Status: Allen Gunter, DOE-SR

Mr. Gunter began the presentation with a historical perspective of the plutonium stabilization and packaging program. He reviewed the plutonium flow path, the storage areas, 3013 containers and 9975 shipping containers, the surveillance program, shelf-life testing, destructive examinations, and the surveillance results. Mr. Gunter reviewed the status of downblending non-moxable plutonium.

Mr. Gunter responded to questions from Committee members and the public. Receipt of plutonium from Japan was a focal point of the discussion.

Committee Discussion

Draft Recommendation: "Improving H Canyon Throughput"
The Committee ran out of time to discuss this draft recommendation.

Draft Position Statement: "Interim or Long Term Storage of Spent Nuclear Fuel and High Level Waste"

David Hoel, CAB Member, noted that the position statement has been open for a number of years and was up for renewal. Mr. Hoel presented edits that he had made in anticipation of renewal. The question before the Committee was whether to renew as is or renew with updates. Mr. Hoel read the updated portions of the position paper.

The ensuing discussion focused on specific language within the position statement and timing of presentation to the full board.

The Committee agreed that the original position statement should expire and an updated statement presented to the full board for voting.

Draft Position Statement: "Proposed Acceptance and Disposition of Spent Nuclear Fuel (SNF) Containing US-Origin Highly Enriched Uranium from the Federal Republic of Germany"

The Committee ran out of time to discuss this draft recommendation.

Public Comment

Rose Hayes, Public, commented on the use of the term "repository."

Elaine Cooper, the John Bachman Sierra Club, commented on the CAB Position Statement on the "Proposed Acceptance and Disposition of Spent Nuclear Fuel (SNF) Containing US-Origin Highly Enriched Uranium from the Federal Republic of Germany." Written statement entered into the minutes.

Jeff Allender, Public, commented on the public meeting in North Augusta, SC, in February 2016 regarding long-term storage.

Mr. Wilkins Byrd, Conservation Voters of South Carolina, commented on the German SNF.

Suzanne Rhodes, SC League of Women Voters, submitted a written statement on the German SNF.

The Committee discussed the requirements to set up a special meeting in July to discuss pending Recommendations.

Mr. Powell adjourned the meeting.

The next NM Committee meeting will be held August 9, 2016, 4:30 – 6:20 pm, at the New Ellenton Community Center in New Ellenton, SC.

The online recording of this meeting can be located on the CAB website: cab.srs.gov