SRS Citizens Advisory Board

Executive Committee Meeting

Hyatt Regency Hotel, Savannah, Ga.
May 19, 2003

The Executive Committee of the Savannah River Site (SRS) Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) met Monday, May 19 at 5:30 p.m. at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Savannah, Ga. The following were in attendance:

CAB Members
Wade Waters*  Jean Sulc*  Gerald Devitt*  Perry Holcomb*  Lola Richardson*

Contractor/DOE
Alice Doswell, DOE
George Mishra, DOE
Teresa Haas, WSRC
Dawn Haygood, WSRC
Mike Schoener, CAB

Stakeholders/Regulators
Jay Bassett, EPA
Bob Meisenheimer

*Executive Committee Members

Identification of Education Topics
Jean Sulc asked the various chairs to identify topics that may need educational presentations during the bi-monthly meetings. At the Process Retreat, it was determined that an educational component would be included in every Monday afternoon agenda of the bi-monthly meetings. Chairs noted topics such as risk, statistics, and basics of radiation as being helpful for the full board as well as new members. Wade Waters commented that in July, informational presentations would be provided regarding the National Nuclear Security Administration.

Waste Management Committee Structure
Waste Management Committee Chair Bill Willoughby commented that the Waste Management Committee had not had an opportunity to discuss committee structure since the Process Retreat. However, two alternatives were being considered- one being to split the committee into two separate committees for solid waste and high level waste and the second being to split the issues internally and let the Chair and Vice Chair give individual attention to the issues. The current thinking is that Bill Willoughby would lead solid waste and Bill Lawless would take high level waste issues. There was discussion regarding the impacts of holding additional meetings, and Mr. Willoughby stated that there would definitely be more meetings if the current committee was split into two. However with an internal split, they could hopefully keep the number of meetings minimal due to resource commitments on the part of the site, regulators and the CAB members. Bill Willoughby commented that an internal split is easier to undo if need be. Wade Waters agreed noting he liked the approach being considered and suggested a trial run over the next several months.
Committee Feedback Forms
The Chairs received a draft committee feedback form for comments. The Committee Chairs had expressed desire to better utilize feedback forms during the Process Retreat. Comments will be incorporated and the form will be revisited in July.

NNSA Interface
Wade Waters mentioned that proper approval had been sought and received to allow for the NNSA presentations in July.

Other Items
Jean Sulc reminded the Committee that Dawn Haygood would be working on the success template and to please share any ideas. The Committee Chairs also briefly discussed the Process Retreat. Some stated that there were too many issues and too little time to adequately address them.