Agenda

Winter Board Meeting

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January 28-29, 1997

Tuesday, January 28

8:00 a.m. Welcome and introductions
Jared Cohon, Chair
Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board (NWTRB)

8:05 a.m. Nye County introductions
Ira Copass
Nye County Board of Commissioners

TOTAL SYSTEM PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT
(Session chair: Jeffrey Wong, NWTRB)

8:15 a.m. Traceability and Transparency in Total System Performance Assessment
Abe Van Luik
Technical Manager for Performance Assessment
Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management (OCRWM)

8:55 a.m. Questions/discussion

9:15 a.m. Making Performance Assessments Understandable and Credible
John Austin
Chief
Performance Assessment and High-Level Waste Integration Branch
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission

9:35 a.m. Questions/discussion

9:45 a.m. BREAK (15 minutes)
10:00 a.m.  Changes in the French nuclear waste program due to the 1991 law
Pierre Barber, Director of International Affairs
French Nuclear Power Generation Agency (ANDRA)
Key objectives of ANDRA’s technical program: making them understandable to the public
Gérald Ouzounian, Assistant Manager - Scientific Department, ANDRA

11:00 a.m.  Questions/discussion

11:15 a.m.  Understanding Risk: Perspectives from the National Research Council Report
Paul Stern
Study Director
National Research Council

11:35 a.m.  Questions/discussion

11:50 a.m.  Transparency: How can the public know what the TSPA is and what it means?
Judy Treichel
Executive Director
Nevada Nuclear Waste Task Force

12:10 p.m.  Questions/discussion

12:30 p.m.  LUNCH (1 hour)

TRANSPORTATION
(Session chair: John Arendt, NWTRB)

1:30 p.m.  Privatization Initiative for Transportation Services
Dwight Shelor
Deputy Director
Office of Waste Acceptance, Storage, and Transportation, OCRWM

2:15 p.m.  Questions/discussion

2:35 p.m.  Nuclear waste transportation: critical issues
Robert Loux, Executive Director
Robert Halstead, Transportation Adviser
Nevada Agency for Nuclear Projects
• Rail and highway access
• Outlook for shipments to a repository and/or interim storage facility
• Unresolved safety issues
• State of Nevada recommendations for transportation system development

3:20 p.m.  Questions/discussion
3:35 p.m. **Affected units of local government: perspectives on privatization**
*Russell di Bartolo*, Impact Assessment Coordinator
Clark County, Nevada
Brad Mettam, Yucca Mountain Project Coordinator
Inyo County, California
James Williams, Nuclear Waste Repository Project Office
Nye County, Nevada

4:05 p.m. **Questions/discussion**

4:15 p.m. **BREAK (15 minutes)**

4:30 p.m. **Roundtable discussion**
Russell di Bartolo, Clark County
James Williams, Nye County
Robert Fronczak, Executive Director of Environmental Affairs
Association of American Railroads
Robert Halstead, Nevada Agency for Nuclear Projects
Brad Mettam, Inyo County
Fred Millar, Washington D.C. Coordinator
Nuclear Waste Citizens’ Coalition
Dwight Shelor, OCRWM

5:30 p.m. **Public comments/questions**

6:00 p.m. **Recess until 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 29**
Wednesday, January 29

8:00 a.m. Reconvene/session introduction

UPDATES OF PROGRAM AND PROJECT ACTIVITIES AND INVESTIGATIONS
(Session chair: Jared Cohon, NWTRB)

8:05 a.m. Introduction: Status of program activities
Wes Barnes, Yucca Mountain Project Manager
Russell Dyer, Yucca Mountain Project Site Characterization Office
8:30 a.m. Questions/discussion

8:45 a.m. Nevada concerns with the DOE’s proposed new siting guidelines and the viability assessment
Robert Loux, Executive Director
Nevada Agency for Nuclear Projects
8:55 a.m. Questions/discussion

9:00 a.m. Generic storage analyses: Interim Storage Facility Phase I Topical Safety Analysis Report
Christopher A. Kouts
Director
Storage and Engineering Technology Division
Office of Waste Acceptance, Storage, and Transportation, OCRWM
9:30 a.m. Questions/discussion

9:45 a.m. BREAK (15 minutes)

10:00 a.m. Introduction to unsaturated and saturated zone flow and transport models
Dennis Williams, Deputy Assistant Manager for Licensing, OCRWM

10:10 a.m. Hydrolic and conservative tracer testing at the C-well complex
M.J. Umari
U.S. Geological Survey
10:25 a.m. Questions/discussion

10:35 a.m. Transport and reactive tracer testing at the C-well complex
H. J. Turin
Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL)
10:50 a.m. Questions/discussion

11:00 a.m. Flow and transport models for Yucca Mountain
Bruce Robinson, LANL

11:30 a.m. Questions/discussion

11:50 a.m. Thermal and underground testing update
William Boyle
Team Leader, Performance Confirmation, OCRWM

12:20 p.m. Questions/discussion

12:35 p.m. LUNCH (75 minutes)
1:50 p.m.  Nye County Scientific Investigations
            Nick Stellavato, On-site geotechnical representative
            Nye County
            Parviz Montazer
            Multimedia Environmental Technology, Inc.

2:10 p.m.  Questions/discussion

REReducing Hydrologic Uncertainties
            (Session chair: Edward Cording, NWTRB)

2:25 p.m.  Introduction
            Edward Cording, NWTRB

2:35 p.m.  DOE plans for reducing hydrologic uncertainty
            Dennis Williams
            Deputy Assistant Manager for Licensing, OCRWM

3:30 p.m.  Questions/discussion

3:45 p.m.  BREAK (15 minutes)

4:00 p.m.  Board comments

        4:20 p.m.  Questions/discussion

4:35 p.m.  Public comments/questions

5:05 p.m.  Adjourn