

# **Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant Site Specific Advisory Board Meeting Minutes**

*April 17, 1997*

The April 17, 1997, SSAB meeting took place at the West Kentucky Vocational Technical School cafeteria at 6:00 p.m.

The following board members were present: Nola Courtney, Mark Donham, W. G. Harvey, Vicki Jones, Ronald Lamb, Linda Long, and Gregory Waldrop. Ex Officio members present were: Wayne Davis, Carl Froede, Annette Hayden, Jimmie Hodges, and John Volpe. Facilitator Present: Steve Kay. Also present were: Todd Adams, Jeannie Brandstetter, Maggie Carson, Steve Hampson, Shelley Hawkins, Dennis Hill, Missy Howell, John Jenkins, Ray McLennan, John Morgan, Larry Radcliffe, Myrna Redfield, Don Slone, Tuss Taylor, and Matt Vick.

The proposed meeting agenda was adopted by consensus.

The meeting minutes from the March 20, 1997, were approved by consensus.

The first item on the agenda was the discussion on potential meeting sites. It was proposed that the permanent meeting place for the SSAB meetings be at the Heath High School. This proposal was adopted by consensus.

The next item on the agenda was the Environmental Management and Enrichment Facilities (EMEF) Project Updates. Mark Donham brought up some questions on the Northeast Plume Interim Remedial Action. He wanted to know if the statement that the Regional Gravel Aquifer (RGA) contamination comes solely from the degreaser Trichloroethylene (TCE) was accurate. Jimmie Hodges stated that they had not found any other contaminants. Mark stated that the monitoring report showed other contaminants. Jimmie stated that there were non detectible levels that were shown on the monitoring report. Jimmie offered to sit down with Mark and go over the monitoring report. Mark also asked the question, If you found another contaminant in the cooling towers would you shut it down? Jimmie answered that radioactive materials are not allowed to go into the cooling tower. It is only set up to do TCE. It was decided to have a presentation on the Northeast Plume Interim Remedial Action for the next meeting. Ronald Lamb asked a question about the rubble piles. He asked if anything was ever found in the piles. Myrna Redfield reported that one Area of Concern (AOC) contained levels of cesium. There was an immediate removal action. Dr. Volpe stated that there were two areas on the one pile that had contamination. One was cesium and the other was uranium. He confirmed that they were clean. Ronald Lamb stated that he had requested testing done on some rubble that was used to make a driveway to get to the Big Bayou Creek on his property. He wanted to know if DOE knew the results. Jimmie Hodges stated that they did not know. Jimmie Hodges stated that DOE would go back and look to see if they had any records of testing. If not he said that they could come out and test it. Ronald Lamb then asked what was going to happen with Drum Mountain. Jimmie Hodges stated that there were proposals out to look at what can be done with the material that is out there. Nothing has been finalized. Myrna Redfield stated that a preliminary plan is being put together for Drum Mountain but the final plan has not been finalized. She stated that DOE hopes to have a proposal finalized in the next

few months and try to remove the drums in the summer or fall. Mark Donham wanted to know if there would be any type of public input on the plan. DOE stated that they were planning to remove the waste and ship it off site or package it and store it on site. Mark asked if this would be a Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) action. Jimmie Hodges stated that it would be part of a CERCLA action.

The next item on the agenda was Mark Donham's questions on WAGs 1 and 7. Mark stated that this should be included in the Northeast Plume presentation. Mark stated that the document that he was reading was the Northeast Plume document. Mark stated that he later found questions on the WAGs 1 and 7 document. Mark stated that he would send a list of questions to DOE.

The next item on the agenda was the Federal Facilities Agreement (FFA). The Board was given a copy of the FFA. A presentation was also made by John Morgan of Lockheed Martin Energy Systems (LMES). It was decided that the FFA would be put back on the agenda for next month after everyone has had a chance to look over the FFA and go over specific comments. Jimmie Hodges stated that the FFA would be extended to a 60 day comment period. This would allow the Board to have two more meetings before comments had to be submitted to DOE.

The next item on the agenda was the membership drive. Nola reported that the Press Releases went out April 9, 1997. No response has been received. Nola reported that there were three candidates for the Board to consider. The three candidates were presented. The Board decided to convene in an executive session to make their decision on who they wanted to recommend for DOE to accept as Board members. They decided on two candidates. This was approved by consensus. These are to be submitted by Jimmie Hodges for Headquarters approval.

The Financial Report was the next item on the agenda. Jimmie Hodges stated that \$25,000 would be put into a subcontractor account (Jacobs Engineering Group) for the Board's use. An additional \$5,000 will be available for travel expenses. There needs to be an official work plan submitted stating how the Board wanted to spend the money. This is the procedure that is used in Oak Ridge.

The next item on the agenda was the Ten Year Plan update. The Ten Year Plan was distributed to the Board and a presentation was given by John Morgan of LMES. The Board decided to review the Ten Year Plan and put it on the agenda for the next meeting. Jimmie Hodges stated that he would send out copies of the document which addresses radiation limits of the landfill. This document was written by Dr. Lee.

It was decided that a presentation on the cylinders should be put on the agenda. Dennis Hill reported that there were two public meetings scheduled for June on the DUF6. It was decided to put this on the agenda for the June meeting of the Board.

The next item on the agenda was the Draft Work Plan. A Draft Work Plan was distributed that was compiled by DOE. Another Draft Work Plan that Mark Donham put together was also distributed. It was asked if the Board could have copies of documents that they wanted to review. It was decided that a subcommittee would be formed to review the documents. The subcommittee consisted of Mark Donham, Nola Courtney, and Greg Waldrop. It was decided that WAG 6 and WAG 22 be put on the agenda for the next meeting. The two co-chairs consulting with the regulatory agencies will come up

with a Draft Work Plan for the next meeting.

The last item on the agenda was a presentation on the Request for Proposal (RFP). This presentation was made by Larry Radcliffe and Don Sloan from DOE Oak Ridge. A copy of the RFP was given to the Board.

The next meeting will be held on May 22, 1997, at the Heath High School at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was adjourned.

Tentative Agenda for the May 22, 1997, meeting:

Minutes

EMEF Project Updates

FFA Update

Membership Update

Northeast Plume Presentation

Review of the 10 Year Plan

Draft Work Plan

WAG 6 Presentation

WAG 22 Presentation

Action Items

Jimmie Hodges will check on the rubble testing results for Ronald Lamb's property.

Jimmie Hodges will write letter to DOE Headquarters to get approval on new members.

Jimmie Hodges will send out Radiation Limits document written by Dr. Lee to the Board.

The Co-Chairs will prepare a Draft Work Plan for presentation to the Board for the May meeting.