



SRS Citizens Advisory Board

Nuclear Materials Management Subcommittee

Meeting Summary

January 23, 1995

Hilton Head Island, S.C.

The Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Nuclear Materials Management Subcommittee held a subcommittee meeting on Monday, January 23, 8:30 - 10:30 p.m. at the Hilton Resort on Hilton Head Island, SC. Subcommittee members who attended included Tom Costikyan, Brian Costner, Pat Tousignant, and Alice Hollingsworth. P.K. Smith of the CAB Education committee attended. Savannah River Site resource personnel attending included deLisa Bratcher, Department of Energy-Savannah River (DOE-SR) and Donna Martin, Westinghouse Savannah River Company (WSRC).

Prior to the January 23 meeting, the subcommittee elected to concentrate initial efforts on the environmental impact statement on the Acceptance Policy for the Return of Foreign Research Reactor Spent Nuclear Fuel (FRR EIS). At the meeting, subcommittee members discussed what they considered were the major issues involved in the EIS. Questions listed during the meeting included:

- What is the State of South Carolina's position on the return of foreign research reactor fuel?
- What is the United State's nonproliferation policy?
- If SRS received the FRR fuel, would expanded storage be required?
- How much fuel is involved?
- What are the options for managing SNF?
 - Wet storage?
 - Dry storage?
 - Reprocessing?

Subcommittee Plan for Developing Draft FRR EIS Recommendation During the meeting, the subcommittee outlined a plan to begin developing a recommendation for the draft FRR EIS. Upon release of the draft FRR EIS, each member will receive a copy of the document with instructions to develop basic questions, concerns, or issues dealing with the EIS. Members will be asked to send questions to a central contact person, and that person will compile the information for each subcommittee member to review. In late February or early March, NMM chair Tom Costikyan will coordinate a telephone conference to discuss and review each member's comments. An SRS technical expert will be present during the conference call to answer technical questions.

The second major set in the plan is to hold a subcommittee meeting in mid-March to develop a recommendation on the draft FRR EIS for presentation to the CAB on March 28, 1995. In addition, the subcommittee chair will attempt to schedule a meeting with an appropriate representative of the South Carolina governor's office to identify the state's position on foreign research reactor spent nuclear fuel issues.

The NMM subcommittee will meet on March 27, 1995 in Savannah, Ga for a final review of the presentation that will be given to the full CAB on March 28, 1995.